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Secret Ballot Principles

Can someone explain to me why the provision in Haiti that voters fill out ballots out of the polling booth and then hand them to a government official is a violation of the principle of secret elections, but the provision in San Francisco that voters fill out so-called absentee ballots out of the polling booth and then hand them to a government official is not a violation of the principle of secret ballot?

Either way a voter can show his vote to someone else, either willingly because of a bribe, or reluctantly because of a threat.

If the best explanation you can come up with is that this practice is all right in the United States because only foreigners can be considered fascist, save your breath.

Tom Stevens
White Panther Party

Open Letter to AAA Re: Domestic Partners

Dear Editor:

I'm sending you a copy of the enclosed letter in hopes that you will print it so that more people will give their AAA proxy to National Gay Rights Advocates, who are pursuing a class action suit against one AAA affiliate for discriminating against domestic partners.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Dear Mr. Baty,

In response to your recent form letter about renewing my CSAA membership and naming proxy, please note the following: *I hereby award my proxy to the following 3 people: Ms. Jean O'Leary, Mr. Benjamin Schatz, and Mr. Leonard Graff of National Gay Rights Advocates, 540 Castro St, San Francisco 94114.*

I do this in further pursuance of my ongoing efforts to obtain a joint membership in the CSAA motor club for me and my domestic partner. Last year at this same time when the issue of membership renewal came up, I requested your so-called "master" and associate membership status for me and my partner and promptly paid my individual renewal as a sign of bona fide dealing, both of us having been individual members in good standing for some years.

This year, *I am renewing my membership (individual) under protest of your policy of denial of associate membership to unrelated single adults living in the same household.* Your casualty underwriting manager, Mr. Raymond Pierce, informed me last year that CSAA "has found a higher usage of road services by single adults living in the same household," and uses this cost-oriented claim as the basis for your policy. I challenge your findings and would like you to produce for me your studies and statistics since it does not make sense to me that you could have been comparing representative groups and come up with those results.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I await your detailed reply.

Most Sincerely,
Jessea N.R. Greenman
Berkeley

Remember Catholic Charities

Dear Editor,

The AIDS Emergency Health Fund of Catholic Charities is the only fund in San Francisco which serves both people with AIDS and people with ARC regardless of race or creed. Most other funds require a letter of diagnosis for frank AIDS before they register a client. This leaves many individuals with advanced stages of ARC outside of the AIDS service "net".

Catholic Charities has become a refuge for many people with AIDS and disabling ARC who are financially destitute and yet deserve the dignity of the bare necessities of health care. The fund provides for both traditional and alternative medicine, vitamins, and therapies that are not covered by insurance or government programs.

Unfortunately the fund is rapidly running out of money. We limit each recipient to \$500 a year, but even with this restriction we cannot take on more than 500 clients. This represents a fraction of the 1,653 current cases of AIDS in the City and the 16,000 cases of ARC. Our waiting list grows every day.

The bottom line is, of course, money. We are not the only direct service organization involved in the epidemic that asks you for money, but we do address an unmet need in this city. Please remember us when you give.

For more information, please call the AIDS/ARC office of Catholic Charities at 864-7400.

Bob Nelson
Coordinator of Direct Services

AIDS and Syphilis

Editor:

The January issue of the *Atlantic* raises some serious questions about AIDS: is HIV really the lethal agent? Or is there some form of syphilis at work? Three of the experts cited in the *Atlantic* will be speaking at a public forum January 12,

7:30 pm at the MCC (150 Eureka St., SF). What is the connection between AIDS and syphilis? Come, and find out.

Mike Smith
San Francisco

Full Moon Reunion

Friends of the Full Moon:

Over 15 years ago, some women had a vision. They saw a space for women to gather, and enjoy each other's company. What came of that vision was the Full Moon Coffeehouse/Bookstore. 1988 marks the 10th anniversary of the closing of the Full Moon, and we would like to have you join us for a celebration on Saturday, June 25th, the evening before the Gay Parade.

The Full Moon was open for over four years, creating a safe place for women to gather, buy books, listen to poets and musicians, share their art work, and talk to one another over a cup of coffee. It was the first place of its kind, a separate space for women, leading the way for many women's businesses that are still in operation today.

In the four years of its existence, the Full Moon taught us lessons in collective decision making, political conflict, and the growing pains of the women's movement. Friendships were made, strained, and even broken. But we all survived, and we all learned. Collective members have gone on to become authors, lawyers, accountants, doctors, mothers, musicians, artists, and other professions. Hopefully, everyone has used at least some small part of the Full Moon experience to become into who they are today.

We need your help in contacting women who were involved in the Full Moon. We do have a list of people who were connected to the coffeehouse in some way — either through work, financial support, entertaining, moral support, or being a regular customer. We have addresses for almost half of the list. If you (or someone you know) fit

into that description and have not gotten a copy of this letter at home, please let us know. Through networking, we would like to find as many women as possible.

We are asking all of the entertainers who performed there, poets who read there, and other friends who participated in the coffeehouse to each sing a couple of songs or read a couple of poems that they performed on the Full Moon stage.

We've taken it upon ourselves to plan the affair (sorry, no committees!). If you have any old phone lists, calendars, etc., they would be particularly helpful in expanding our list of women. We would appreciate any memorabilia you might have of the Full Moon!

We can be contacted c/o Boof Bray Records, POB 170606, San Francisco, 94117. We look forward to hearing from you!

Nanci Stern
Carol Thompson
Betty Kaplowitz

Evans' Mythology

Editor:

Accepting class society, mystification is inevitable, so demystification is futile, but there's no excuse for remystification, like Arthur Evans tried to pull off in his article last month. This man claims to dislike the myths that did the original damage to him, but he likes them enough to think that other myths can make the damage more bearable.

This would be none of my business, but Arthur publicizes this garbage like it's the zeitgeist of homosexuality. For somebody known for dumping on sadomasochism, Arthur certainly feels at home in the ideologies of production by chattel slavery. He picks and chooses a few quaint pagan stories. Then he uses them as liberal whitewash on the pagan elimination of patriarchy. And then he accuses the New Testament of picking and choosing an opiate for the people. How embarrassing. This is not homosexuality. It's pure class, and not the lower one.

Arthur, if you want to preach a fringe religion to the oppressed, then get a megaphone and take it down to Powell and Market. Bring along a steady supply of wine from your god Dionysos, and you'll have no trouble recruiting Bacchantes eager for a religious experience. Yet, that'd be a little too earthy for your earth religion, huh? Arthur, you sniveling cad! Stop pretending to be a prole, and stop making attacks on Christianity that Christians only notice as evidence of their strength.

Tim Speck
San Francisco

How to Change From Visa to Mastercharge

Just phone David Hudson at 953-0142. He works for Bank of America and is sympathetic to our cause. He can change your VISA to a Mastercharge within a week with no form to fill out — no loss of limits — no loss of good credit or bonus points. Others banks must be able to do this as easily as B of A. Do it today!

Bill Jones
Sausalito

A Place for Issues

Dear Kim:

Kudos on hanging in there. I've always considered *Coming Up!* to be always on the cutting edge of our community, the place where the issues are raised, where the community meshes itself like dust up to 4 inches and beyond that it further meshes, no longer in height, but in tight-knit community.

I thoroughly enjoyed "Dykes to Watch Out For," until the end. It seems to me that if the person wanted some cleaning to be done, she should do it herself.

Sincerely, with points to get across,
Mark Schwartz
San Francisco

* Concept on dust compiling to limit, like height of a person comes from Quentin Crisp, *The Naked Civil Servant* by word of mouth of Jericho (Hotel Over the Rainbow, Duboce & Valencia, San Francisco).

Right to Anonymity

Dear Coming Up!:

As a non-biological lesbian co-mother, I've been following the debate about anonymous donor children with great interest.

At a conference recently, I heard an adoptee

into that description and have not gotten a copy of this letter at home, please let us know. Through networking, we would like to find as many women as possible.

Lesbians have been fighting for years to be recognized as legitimate mothers. Most of us assumed when we came out that that meant if we didn't already have children, we would have to give that possibility up. But we are women and human beings, and we desire families and children as much (or as little) as any other women. Millions of children around the world grow up without knowing their fathers or their mothers. There are no guarantees that our parents, even if they were around, would live to adulthood, so that we could know them as we wished. So by that logic, no one should have children. Twenty years ago, when my mother died, I was the only child in my class from a "broken home." Remember that term? Everyone looked at it as a tragedy. Today, single parent households are part of the norm. But the ideal of a "proper" family with mother and father is still what everyone aspires to. Why can't we create a social movement where we challenge the view that one won't be well-adjusted or happy unless there's a mother and father. I believe that is part of why people get so caught up in that desire to know your biological parents. I wish I had the option of knowing my mother. But I don't, so why dwell on it. I'd rather put my energy into creating a society where lesbian families are an accepted and welcome addition to human relationships.

When my partner and I decided to have children, we were quite clear that we did not want there to be a father for them. There were a number of reasons for this. One was our and the child's own protection — we have no legal rights or protections, and didn't think we could find a donor that we could trust absolutely to not exercise his legal rights if he changed his mind about the child. Secondly, we're LESBIANS. That means we live our lives physically and emotionally independent of men. We get our strength from ourselves and other women. We want our children to see that women can thrive as independent people. We want to bring children up in a context that breaks down roles and gives them a different outlook on the world.

Why should some man who has done nothing to take responsibility for raising my child, who merely donated sperm, be considered a father? Whether my daughter ever says she wants to know who provided the paternal genes or not, we'll teach her that some children's paternal genes come from a man who was nice enough to donate his seed, and other children have men in their families who are fathers to them. We intend to raise her in a way that makes it clear that she had the former; that we believe it is a positive thing she is growing up with lots of moms and no dad.

We have always been taught that the only correct way to raise children is with a mother and a father. Says who? Should we take for the gospel the teachings of a society that does everything in its power to step all over anyone that steps outside their socially defined norms?

My daughter is two, and the other day when I was telling her about my mother, she asked me if I only had one mother. To her, having two mothers is the norm. For a child's reality defines what's normal to them. We can give our children a sense of strength for coming from a new kind of family. Our own ambivalence in how we project our situations onto our kids will make a big difference in how they are able to deal with the assault they surely get in school, the media, etc. Besides, if we had more of a social movement challenging the view that the two-parent mother/father family is the only legitimate form to aspire to, things might change.

Judy Gerber
Oakland, CA

The point of this whole discussion has in no way been intended to discourage lesbians and gay men from parenting — our community has struggled long and hard for the simple right to bear and keep our children, and we still have much to gain in that struggle. But there's another simple right that most people in the world take for granted that's denied victims of closed adoption and anonymous insemination by donor — the right to know one's biological family and heredity. It's very different to be cut off from biological family through the loss of death, divorce or other separation, still fully

knowing who they are, than simply not to know anything at all about them, and to live without that full sense of biological connection which is very much a part of human existence.

That biological connection has nothing to do with politics, but with a very basic human need and right. All we're saying is everyone has a right to the full knowledge of their biological families. It is possible when we inseminate to find out that information — whether or not we choose to inform the donor he is a father or incorporate him into our lives or the lives of our children, and how we choose to do that, is a whole different matter — but we can at least have the information, should it become important, and what we have learned from adoptees and adult offspring of anonymous donors is that very often a deep and compelling need exists for that information.

—Kim Corsaro, Editor

More on Adoption

Dear Kim,

I'm sorry if my letter, the one you entitled "Adoption Myths" (*Coming Up!*, December 1987) in any way implied that I was not in favor of adoptees having contact with their birth parents. I thought I had clearly stated that I believe that everyone benefits from as much information as possible about our origins and backgrounds. What I was trying to suggest was simply that adoptees who have been rejected as homosexuals by their adopted families might be prone to overly romanticizing a potential acceptance by birth parents that might not be the case. There is no question in my mind, however, but that it is worth finding out.

There also appears to have been a misunderstanding vis a vis my contention that "to lose one's rights to a child in our society today requires a blatant disregard for the child's well being." I wrote that in reference to parents who have their rights terminated by the courts, not those who voluntarily relinquish their babies at birth. Family Law has changed considerably in recent years and it is now mandated by the state that the reunification of biological families be given utmost priority by social service agencies, sometimes at deadly costs — as evidenced by the recent death of Henry Gilbert in the San Francisco Bay. Yes, it is the same system that once removed children from gay and lesbian parents. It is also the same system that once denied blacks and women the vote. Should we not vote because of the latter fact? Should we leave children in abusive situations because all adoptive families are not perfect?

I agree that the kind of family you describe as "all American" on the outside is often cruel and violent within. After all, America is a cruel and violent country. Perhaps our society as a whole needs to redefine what constitutes a good family and start recruiting and selecting people as adoptive parents who exhibit the qualities that really matter in parenting, i.e., love, commitment, consistency, cooperation, etc., rather than how closely they model that "all American" stereotype. A recent study of successful adoptive families in the midwest revealed that non-stereotypical parents, often unmarried, unattractive, and unconventional did better with disabled children than those resembling the accepted norms of what good parents should be. I suspect that a study of any adopted child population would reveal similar results.

It is undoubtedly true that many young women are pressured to put their babies up for adoption. Just as it is true that many young women decide to "drop babies" for an AFDC check. And it is sadly true that insufficient daycare, housing, and employment opportunities exist for most of us to be able to make a really fair choice about having children in the US today.

This "parenting" controversy is raising difficult questions that need to be further explored in an atmosphere of good will and peace.

Sincerely,
Sheila Koren
San Francisco

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Price Gouging or Reasonable Profitability?

Burroughs Wellcome Reaps \$25 Million on AZT in 1987 And Answers to No One

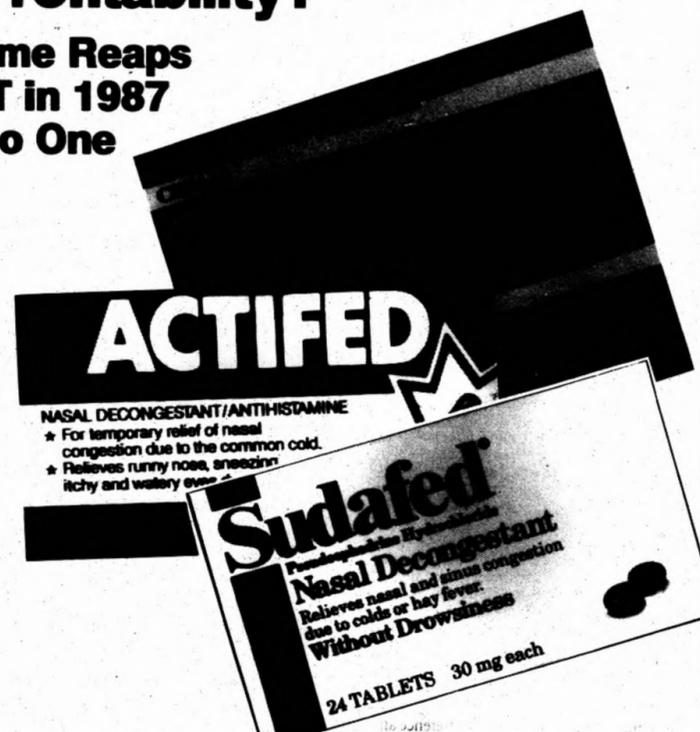
BY TIM KINGSTON

On Monday, December 14, Burroughs Wellcome dropped the price of AZT by 20 percent, from \$187.50 to \$150.24 for 100 100mg capsules, just over a week's supply at maximum recommended dosage. The new price became effective in early January. Although everyone welcomes the move, the big question on everybody's lips is why? Critics say they still have no idea whether or not the new price is justifiable, and Burroughs Wellcome isn't releasing information on profits or projected sales.

Theories for the price cut abound. There's the official line expounded by Burroughs Wellcome: greater availability due to advances in production techniques has reduced their costs. AIDS activists charge political expediency due to a groundswell of negative publicity, and some are speculating the price cut may have been a move by Burroughs Wellcome to squelch public hearings in New York on the price of AZT.

Critics of the drug company and veterans of the AIDS epidemic, although glad about a reduction in price, are by no means convinced of the company's altruism. Jeff Levy, director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, is among the skeptics: "They were under a lot of pressure from a lot of sources. The question is, is this 20 percent of an exorbitant price or 20 percent of a reasonable price? I tend to think it's 20 percent of an exorbitant price."

In New York, various state legislature members are trying to investigate Burroughs Wellcome's pricing policies, with little success so far, although threats of subpoenas are waiting in the wings if some form of accommodation is not arrived at with legislator Jer-



old Nadler of the Consumer Affairs Protection Committee (CAPC). There is also a call for the Attorney General to investigate the company for possible price gouging under state law.

Burroughs Wellcome announced the price reduction just two days before an informal meeting between critics of the AZT price and Tom Kennedy, a Burroughs Wellcome vice president. Kennedy was supposed to meet with representatives of the CAPC, the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs, New

York State Attorney General's office, and the New York State Consumer Protection Board. Some New York activists suspect the price cut was a way of disarming opponents of the company just before a crucial confrontation.

No new meeting is scheduled, although negotiations are said to be ongoing. The cancellation was the latest in a series by the company, and Rep. Nadler is irritated enough to threaten lawsuits and subpoenas. Marty Alcaze, Nadler's press and legislative aide, says the representative is giving the company a few

more days, and "if they don't deliver, we are gonna subpoena their records. The New York State Attorney General says he will defend any lawsuit we make."

In New York, officials involved in the attempt to get Burroughs Wellcome to testify on the price of AZT found the timing of the price cut oddly convenient. Alcaze allowed, "Maybe it is coincidental they announced the price just two days before the meeting.... We were happy, but we weren't dancing in the streets or anything."

Michael Callan of the Lavender Hill Mob said flat out, "Clearly the timing is suspicious. State senators have been requesting hearings and documents, but Burroughs Wellcome has refused them. Why did it go down 20 percent rather than 30, 40, 50 percent? I think it's a public relations move."

Kathy Bartlett, public relations specialist for Burroughs Wellcome, flatly denied any connection between timing of the New York meeting and the new price. "They are unrelated. It's important to remember this is a worldwide price, a worldwide announcement. It was announced simultaneously in New York and London; we have the responsibility to notify the London Stock Exchange."

The problem is that no one knows how the company makes its pricing decisions. Early last year, U.S. Congress member Henry Waxman held hearings on the price of AZT, only to have Burroughs Wellcome stonewall any attempts to delve into either their pricing structure or their research costs for AZT.

"AZT is just time in a bottle," declared Virginia Apuzzo, Deputy Director of the Consumer Protection Board and New York Governor Mario Cuomo's liaison to the lesbian and gay community. "It's unconscionable. Burroughs Wellcome cannot say it's a reasonable cost. They won't release the information."

Apuzzo and the other New Yorkers involved are particularly concerned about the precedent high-cost AIDS drugs can set. She asks, "If we don't hold Burroughs Wellcome accountable to explaining itself, what are we gonna do with the next drug that comes down the pike? That's the bottom line. Companies A, B and C are going to do it too. I want to see what constitutes a reasonable price. When they charge \$1,500 a month, what are we gonna do? It's wrong. How can I not be suspicious?"

Bartlett replies that she cannot speak for other companies, but in the case of AZT, "the main determinant is the high cost of manufac-

ture," and she repeated the statement that Burroughs Wellcome did reduce the price when manufacturing costs permitted.

Some critics suspect that Burroughs Wellcome deliberately set the price of AZT at a high level so the firm could rapidly recover its research costs. Dr. Steve Morin, Representative Nancy Pelosi's special aide for health policy, suggests, "The official line was that they had recovered their initial expense." Apuzzo puts the case starkly: "It's like front loading your mortgage. Burroughs Wellcome set the price to recoup its investment in AZT in an unparalleled amount of time. I think it is probably the most rapidly amortized drug in pharmaceutical history."

Kathy Bartlett declined comment on Apuzzo's accusations, stating, "We consider all that information to be proprietary. It is not released to the public." Nor, she added, are projected sales, or research and development costs. "We are in a competitive environment and there is some information we are not willing to share." Bartlett says that AZT sales for the year have so far earned the company \$25 million, but she would not break the figure down any further.

At the moment, AZT remains one of the most expensive drugs available, and many individuals are spending down to their last penny and are then forced on Medicaid. Alcaze says that provides a sliver of hope that the company can be reigned in, or at least forced to open its books for inspection. "That might finally get the politicians and bureaucrats going. As soon as the bureaucrats realize Burroughs Wellcome is making all this money with tax dollars, then they'll do something." No one *Coming Up!* talked argued Burroughs Wellcome shouldn't make a profit, merely that profits should be "reasonable," and right now there is no way of telling what that is.

The company does seem to have an achilles' heel these days: bad publicity. BW isn't the only company to charge exorbitant rates for their product, nor is it the first time a pharmaceutical corporation has refused public access to their profit and loss figures. However, it is the first time since the early days of the women's health movement that drug consumers have taken such a spirited interest in their treatment and have targeted a drug company with such single-minded attention both in the media and by demonstrators.

Alcaze and others in New York and around the country involved in negotiations with the company over the past three months remain convinced BW is trying to deflect negative publicity. One Burroughs representative recounted a tale of woe and harassment to Alcaze: "They said, 'We are getting knocked from all sides.' The gay community is kicking them for the price, and they are getting it from the evangelicals who say Burroughs shouldn't even be producing the drug because AIDS is God's wrath." Alcaze's sympathy was restrained as he added, "That's life in the real world. You put your ass on the line and it gets kicked."

Both Apuzzo and Alcaze had remarkably similar ideas when it came to public relations for Burroughs Wellcome. Alcaze says, "Sometimes I fantasized in the back of my mind, they (BW) do make Sudafed. It worked for Coors Beer. I mean, I know it's not like getting gay bars to stop buying beer. I think they are very concerned." Ginny Apuzzo points out, "The rumblings are that Burroughs Wellcome have over the counter sales. Some kind of action might not accrue positively in their profits column... if people get the idea the charge an unconscionable one for dying people." They might as well have screamed boycott.

The demonstration at the company's main west coast warehouse will be in contrast to the first small gathering of a dozen or so AIDS activists in May outside the Burroughs Wellcome offices, which helped spark the AAP.

For further information contact 861-9087; leave an address and phone number. AAP meets every Thursday at the Metropolitan Community Church, 150 Eureka St at 7:30pm.

— Tim Kingston

MARCH ON BURROUGHS WELLCOME

On January 25 the Burroughs Wellcome West Coast Distribution center in Burlingame will be packed inside and out with angry AIDS activists protesting the price of AZT, the only licensed treatment for AIDS. "Hopefully hundreds of people will show up up," declared AIDS Action Pledge (AAP) organizer Terry Beswick. "Hopefully we'll get in there the same way we did last time. I stuck my foot in the door!"

Those activists will march from San Francisco to the Peninsula offices of Burroughs Wellcome. The 15-mile trek will begin January 24, starting in the Castro.

The demonstrators hope to shut the Burroughs Wellcome site down for the day in support of their demands for an independent investigation into the company's costs and profits in the research development and distribution of AZT. AAP wants to look at the Burroughs Wellcome books to see if any interesting cooking has occurred.

The Pledge hopes to begin nibbling away at what they believe to be excessive profits on AZT with a boycott of popular Burroughs Wellcome over-the-counter remedies such as

Actifed, Sudafed and Neosporin, until the Pledge's demands are met. January's action at Burroughs Wellcome will be the first major test of the AAP, which is modeled after the Central America activist coalition, the Emergency Response Network.

The demonstrators are also demanding a complete report on the effectiveness of AZT, a list of all firms that have applied for licenses to use the drug, and an explanation of why AZT is being tested to the exclusion of other alternative treatments.

The protest rally and action will be the culmination of a two-day effort to launch the AIDS Action Pledge and highlight Burroughs Wellcome's "profiteering" and refusal to provide data on pricing and development of AZT, says Jose Fernandez, media contact for the AAP. Even after a 20 per cent drop in the wholesale cost of AZT, Fernandez added, "AZT still costs about \$10,000 a year for people with AIDS."

The Protest and March begins in the Castro as sponsored demonstrators set off on the 24th. The March is also a fundraising drive for the Pledge, with each demonstrator sponsored

both by the mile, and in a new twist, for each hour they spend in jail, sort of a double whammy against the government. Proceeds from the March will go to the Pledge and a choice of organizations, including Project Inform, American Foundation for AIDS Research, the Minority AIDS Consortium and the Buyers Club.

On the evening of the 24th the demonstrators plan to stay over at a church, with singing, dinner and discussions. Early on January 25, the demonstration will arrive on Burroughs Wellcome's doorstep, bright and ready to engage in creative civil disobedience.

Beswick argues that AZT should ultimately be provided free for those who need it under a nationwide national health plan, but Beswick recognizes certain constraints. "We live in a capitalist society, so we should try to find a reasonable price. We have to give 'em credit, but the price has to be reasonable. We are juggling the insurance companies, the state government and the Feds."

Jose Fernandez explains that the demonstration is being called, "for the people who fall through the cracks. We want to show this is

happening that there are people who need AZT and can't afford it. Much of the wealth of our community is going to pay for AZT."

The Pledge is also dissatisfied with the entire FDA drug approval process, saying it keeps drugs that have been demonstrated effective in other countries out of the hands of critically ill people with AIDS and ARC.

"It's important to see this as an international movement to stop AIDS," says Mark Kastopoloulos, a member of LA ACTUP who will be attending the January 24-25 action with a dozen or so LA ACTUP'ers. He charges, "There is a joint effort by the federal government and the drug companies to protect their profits."

The demonstration at the company's main west coast warehouse will be in contrast to the first small gathering of a dozen or so AIDS activists in May outside the Burroughs Wellcome offices, which helped spark the AAP.

For further information contact 861-9087; leave an address and phone number. AAP meets every Thursday at the Metropolitan Community Church, 150 Eureka St at 7:30pm.

— Tim Kingston

bosses together, Nadler and Richard Kessel, so they would call a hearing on AZT.

Nadler and Director of the Consumer Protection Board Richard Kessel announced on August 20 that public hearings on the price of AZT would be held October 8.

Alcaze said the company reacted like a shot. "The very next day a Burroughs Wellcome lobbyist showed up in Albany (the state capital). That's about a 194-mile drive. Burroughs Wellcome was saying they were getting a bum rap." Alcaze said the company was "very helpful and accommodating," and the lobbyist offered to send up President Thomas Hagler and corporate vice president Kennedy from corporate headquarters in North Carolina to testify. Ultimately, they were perhaps accommodating, but not very helpful.

First BW changed their mind about showing up on October 8. Instead, Nadler received a letter on September 28 (dated the 21st) saying, "We have reconsidered our decision."

Nadler called Kennedy at Burroughs Wellcome to try and get him to reconsider, but according to Alcaze, Kennedy "hemmed and hawed," was very polite, but would not budge. Eventually they hammered out a compromise whereby Kennedy promised to show up at a private informal meeting with Nadler and his staff on November 24.

Once again Kennedy cancelled, saying he was "very sorry," and a new meeting was set for December 16.

At this point, events in New York started to overtake the negotiations for the informal meeting. Alcaze recounted his boss "realized Burroughs Wellcome can't dictate the terms of the meeting." Apuzzo and Kessel were advancing their own agenda to get Burroughs Wellcome to cooperate.

In the first week of December, the New York Consumer Protection Board, led by Kessel, and the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs held a press conference announcing a letter to the New York State Attorney General to investigate charges of price gouging. They cited a little-known law more commonly invoked during power failures when flashlights go for \$10 a pop.

Nadler and Alcaze tried to discourage this effort, arguing, "We'll all get together on this.... Until somebody gets some numbers, nobody knows what they are doing. We were giving them the opportunity to tell the truth or tell us something."

Alcaze argued negotiations with the company are more important than full frontal attacks in the press, but Apuzzo's office retorted that Nadler was playing good cop to a company that wouldn't listen.

The end result was a compromise, whereby Nadler's Consumer Affairs Committee, Kessel's Consumer Protection Board, the New York Department of Consumer Affairs and the Attorney General's office would all be represented.

When Kennedy found out who would be attending the December 16 meeting, Alcaze said the Burroughs Wellcome official "wasn't too happy and became a little nervous. He didn't like the sound of the Attorney General's representative attending the meeting." Eventually he backed out at the last minute. Burroughs Wellcome's Bartlett aimed recriminations at Nadler: "The company felt the changes in the group altered the circumstances of the meeting, so it could not go ahead."

Clearly ticked off, Alcaze stated, "I had been bending over backwards to get this meeting together. I mean, what are they hiding? We would prefer not to take it through the courts."

Late last month, Marty Alcaze reflected on the discomfort he believes the legislature and various New York Consumer agencies have caused Burroughs Wellcome. "I think they are freaking out down in North Carolina. If they are having an uncomfortable Christmas, that's their problem."

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Letters on Living with Cancer

By Barbara Rosenblum

In 1984 Barbara Rosenblum, a sociologist, discovered a lump in her breast. A year later, following a series of blunders by her doctors, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. On her 42nd birthday she began a series of letters to her friends, which are excerpted here. Today, much of her time is spent writing, along with her partner Sandra Butler, as they work on a book entitled "Cancer in Two Voices."

April 19, 1985
My 42nd Birthday
Dearest Friends,

There has been such a tremendous outpouring of letters, cards, flowers and love, that it has already made a tremendous difference in my strength, courage and healing. I thank you all.

First, the diagnosis: I have "advanced" breast cancer which requires an 18-month treatment plan. "Advanced" means that the lymph system is involved. I'm already on a strong form of chemotherapy, and I'll have it for three months. Then, a mastectomy of the right breast, followed by three additional months of chemotherapy. Then radiation of the breast area to make sure the area is "sterilized," that is, no small cancer cells exist. And then I'll be on a different kind of chemotherapy for another year at a dosage and schedule that is less aggressive than the first six months.

Already the chemotherapy is making a difference. The bumps and lumps in my lymph system have been reduced by 50 percent following the first shot. Following the second, the tumor size in the breast is also reduced by almost 50 percent. Chemotherapy consists of injections of deadly chemicals into the body, and there are notorious side effects. Luckily for me, I'm taking it extremely well, with a minimum of bad side effects.

My spirit and courage are strong, and I am prepared for a long fight in many, many ways. Friends have remarked that I'm doing extremely well, and I feel, for the most part, good and extraordinarily happy to be alive.

One fight I'm waging is a malpractice suit against Kaiser Hospital, which failed to diagnose my tumor as cancer as early as a year ago. They dismissed it time after time as benign fibrocystic disease. Also, my attorney will sue for products liability: the mammogram machine gave a false negative, and I subsequently learned that it was the worst machine in town. This incompetence fills me with rage and tremendous sadness, because early detection was a real possibility and failed to happen. Like many things in life, this is something I am coming to accept slowly and not without profound emotional feeling. However, I am currently receiving state-of-the-art medical care and am slowly regaining some trust in the medical establishment. And I am optimistic

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that over the next five or ten years, more advances will be made and that I will benefit from them.

My life is very different now. I have an intense awareness and adolescent-like emotional sensitivity, and I find myself comforted by poetry, chamber music and being in the natural world. I have been too anxious to read cerebral stuff, including sociology, and frankly, lots of things in life look like bullshit to me, including many of the things I thought were dear and important. I have been thrown into a crisis of meaning, and I am searching for different answers to my life, which now has a sense of finitude. Time is incredibly important, and every month I do something I always wanted to do but, somehow, never found the time. Tomorrow, Sandy and I are going to Anza-Borrego, a desert near San Diego, to see the cactus in bloom. Next month, we'll have another adventure before surgery. And, after the 18 months of treatment, a trip around the world.

Because I am so aware of time, I want to live richly and fully, and do a great many things during the next years of my life. People, closeness, laughter, good times, trips, connectedness with friends and nature, music and poetry. Right now, these are important. If I write something, it will probably be of use to many other women who have had this experience.

I'll write again after surgery. All of you, take care of yourselves. And take the time to be alive, every day and every minute.

With love,
Barbara

August 5, 1985
Dear Friends,

It is now more than two months after my surgery, and I am happy to report that I am doing extremely well. About ten days after surgery, I was back to work. About five days after surgery, I got pretty depressed about the loss of a breast: I couldn't believe a part of my body was gone. But after a few days, it lifted and I adjusted quickly. More difficult has been the loss of all body hair for the last six months. Hair is much more part of a public identity. My hair will start to grow in fairly soon, now that radiation is beginning next week. And after that, when I will be on a maintenance



Barbara (right) and Sandy celebrate their 8th anniversary in July 1987.

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It is a terrible irony to have all this money and less time. I experienced it like a terrible Faustian pact, except that I never entered into it voluntarily.

—June, 1986

dosage of chemotherapy, most of it should continue to remain, albeit thin and sparse.

More important and more serious is the pathology report. It was mixed. The good news is that the chemotherapy is working very well and in three months reduced the size of the originally large tumor by more than 50 percent. The bad news is that I have a fairly aggressive cancer that has infiltrated my body fairly extensively. The prognosticators don't look very favorable for long-term survival, and the statistical chances for recurrence of the cancer within the next five years are high. I have been emotionally unable to look up the statistics for survival. But, as we all know, they don't matter on an individual level. It'll be whatever it'll

be. Anyway, I intend to outlive my prognosis by many years.

Thanks to special cancer counseling, I'm basically OK and doing remarkably well. Sometimes I wake up in the middle of the night and can't sleep, wondering about how such a terrible thing could happen to me. I'm worried about my malpractice suit, about my health, about the future, the years left. But, most of the time, I'm very peaceful and happy. I feel more connected to life and to people than ever before. I'm more filled with love and caring than when I was a lonely teenager or during those frantic years at Stanford. Love and caring come my way easily now, and my self-esteem is not hooked up with productivity, so

For this year, I celebrate my freedom from fear, the virtues of serenity and security. I celebrate my connectedness with my partner, Sandy, whose optimism I've relied on during many dark days. She has been my foundation, my grounding, my base. I celebrate all the lessons cancer has taught me, all the inner freedoms I am discovering and all the webbing of life that give the necessary illusion of terra firma, so that a person can take one step. And then another.

—December, 1986

I don't work so hard. Of course, these gifts were always there, except I didn't know it.

My days are emotionally intense, filled with a tremendous range of events, ideas, thoughts, feelings, music, reading, friends, phone calls. My experience of the world is rich and deep. Sometimes I feel an unbearable intensity. Things and people have a kind of inner illumination and beauty that bring tears to my eyes easily. I weep often. Life is stunning and immensely meaningful. I feel things easily, deeply and am not blocked at all. When I get sad, I can move through it quickly and let it go.

For the long run, I am making a five-year plan which includes travel and work time.

I've become something of a premature elder, a wise one who gives advice, whether wanted or not. When I see my friends delaying their lives or having troubles or relationships going through rocky times, when I see them acting crazy or stupidly, I jump in. My message is always the same. Life is not a rehearsal. This is it. Time is all we have.

I surround myself with things that live. I walk near trees and flowers every day. My garden and house are bulging with things that grow. I plant seeds and bulbs all the time: every spot in my 10x10 garden is filled. Today there is a profusion of color. I get enormous pleasure from being in nature and from the direct, intense, physical experience of things, not just reading about them. And speaking of nature, Sandy and I are making plans to go to Australia and New Zealand for December. I'm also planning other trips next year, with other friends and members of my family. There is so much to do.

Have a good summer. I'll write again in a few months, after radiation and the ordeal of the malpractice suit.

Be well and take the time.

Love,
Barbara

June 14, 1986
Dear Friends,

So much has happened to me since my last letter to you that I scarcely know where to begin. There has been so much change, both in my external circumstances and in me, that I feel like a pilgrim finding my way.

In October, my malpractice case was settled out of court for a substantial amount of money. The reason I won it so quickly is that the facts were depressingly clear: the length of my life has been substantially shortened. I was the winning loser.

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and less time. I experienced it like a terrible Faustian pact, except that I never entered into it voluntarily. By December, I began to spend some of that money. New furniture, a trip with Sandy to Australia and New Zealand during their summertime, a lovely time at a very ritzy and exclusive island resort off the Great Barrier Reef. I began to live as I had never lived before, taking more risks and chances than ever. It made me feel alive and sensitive to almost everything that I encountered.

I learned that living is risking and facing — and mastering — fears. I was always afraid to drive on the left side of the road. Well, I did and got into a terrible skid during a New Zealand thunderstorm. Had there been more traffic on the road, it would have been a serious accident. But this skid gave me more courage and freedom to try other things, like snorkeling. I was always afraid I wouldn't breathe right and choke. But I tried, and now I'm a snorkeling fan, having discovered the most exquisitely colored and delicately shaped world beneath the surface. I am no longer afraid of most things. Least of all, really living.

In the spring, I had a one-year anniversary party on the date of my diagnosis. It was a day of great sadness and of firm determination to make everything count more. I decided to take a medical leave for a year. By late spring, on the day I received a letter confirming my tenure, I submitted my letter for one year's leave of absence commencing July 1st.

For the next 5 months, I'll still be on chemotherapy. After that, when I go off chemotherapy, I will have other things to deal with. I feel afraid. Will my body fight the cancer on its own? Is it going to come back without chemotherapy? How soon? How much time do I really have? In general, though, I am looking forward to this year with great joy, as a time to write, travel, listen to music, read and do everything. I want to pack each day full of life, make the volume of time expand, make every moment more intense, make every laugh come from deeper in the gut, meet every person with an open heart, to live with zest.

Though the side effects of chemotherapy are accumulative and consequently more difficult for me, I continue to be psychologically very whole and essentially happy. I get more tired now. I need to rest several times each day, usually after each activity. Sometimes I can't concentrate because I feel so exhausted that it's hard to read during my rest periods. Yet, on some days, I'm full of energy and never rest at all. It's unpredictable, and I have to live

I cannot gingerly say anymore, "Thank God for these little things." I am angry, furious, resentful. I hate it. I hate how my life has turned into a series of doctor's appointment, treatments, side-effects, blood tests, CAT scans, liver scans, bone scans. I have been more hopeful, more optimistic, more brave in the past. This stage is more difficult. This feels like an angry time.

June 8, 1987

from moment to moment, assessing hourly as I go along. My cancer teaches me to be exactly in the present, right in the moment, and nowhere else.

I continue to be happy, cheerful, excited, eager to live a full and rich life. I've made a policy of taking short trips with friends. In the fall, Rachel and I went to Yosemite. In the spring, Francesca and I went to Death Valley. In the summer, Peter and I will go to the Caribbean for snorkeling. I love nature movies on TV and watch how whales make sounds and chimps communicate, how insects move about. I love my garden, the walks I take with my dog, seeing the neighbors and kvetching about the neighborhood. It is a great time of loving my friends and sharing important experiences for us to treasure. It is a time of great joy and love, an unexpected gift in spite of — or perhaps because of — this cancer.

Be well und zei gezunt,
Barbara

December 1986
Dear Friends,

It has been almost two months since I've been off chemotherapy, and these have been among the worst since I was diagnosed with cancer. Despite the terrible side effects and almost steady fatigue and depression, being on chemotherapy gave me the sense that I would not have cancer as long as I was taking my injections and tablets. I became what is known as a "chemo junkie."

At first, I was elated that the symptoms were

subsiding: no more nausea, no more bleeding, reduction of fatigue. I began jogging and then joined an aerobics class for senior citizens, figuring it was one population I could keep up with.

Shortly after I stopped chemo, I became phobic. Well, that's a shorthand way of describing a very complex process. I was afraid and yet I did not experience my fear in a direct and clear way. I became aware that I was phobic by noticing my thoughts. On one occasion, just before turning on the switch of a reading lamp, I became terrified that the bulb would burst into a thousand pieces and they would fly into my face. At that moment, I could feel the sensation of shrapnel-like torpedoes ripping into my face and could feel my skin being transformed into a thousand fountains of blood. The next day, as I went to open the kitchen cabinet to get a plate and a cup, I was afraid that all the dishes would come tumbling down and crack my head.

I had many unwanted, intrusive thoughts like that, day after day. Worries and more worries. All the time.

At night, when I tried to sleep, I became filled with free-floating anxiety, unfocused, contentless and very disconnected from the frightening thoughts that seemed to preoccupy my days. So, day after day, I'd have fearful thoughts but felt no emotion. And night after night, I'd have wild fear but no thoughts to accompany them.

I knew from years of psychotherapy that it would be helpful to relieve the panic by bring-

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Women's Cancer Resource Center

BY KITTREDGE CHERRY

"When I was diagnosed with breast cancer 2-1/2 years ago," recalls Jackie Winnow, founder of the Women's Cancer Resource Center (WCRC), "I felt the information I got was real catch-as-catch-can. My lover and myself got as much information as we could, but all of a sudden I was diagnosed with this life-threatening illness, and in the matter of a couple weeks I had to make incredible decisions regarding my own life with very limited information."

"A lot of the information sources are controlled by a particular medical institution or society. I was interested in finding out all the information, so I could make my own informed decision, rather than being given the particulars by people who had a specific mode of operation. That just wasn't available."

WCRC grew out of this need, originally coming into existence as an outgrowth of a support group for cancer survivors that Winnow was involved in. To her knowledge, it is the first center of its kind in the world.

WCRC adds depth to the meaning of "women's" center. It is dedicated to serving women who are least served by the medical establishment, and that certainly includes lesbians. Winnow, who also works as Lesbian/Gay Community Liaison to the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, estimates at least half the clientele is lesbian, as is most of its all-volunteer staff. Additionally, the Center serves men who are health practitioners or are part of a support network for women with cancer.

"Lesbians tend to be very self-sufficient women. We've had to be. We've had to learn to use models to empower ourselves and to get as much information as we can. We reach out to one another because we've had to do that," Winnow notes.

"A lot of straight women have learned to be much more subservient and more hidden about their bodies, so they put themselves more passively in the hands of the medical community, whereas lesbians are more in touch with their bodies and more actively in charge of

themselves," she adds.

The pain and hardship of dealing with cancer are more common than many people realize. Although no studies look specifically at cancer rates among lesbians, one in three Americans is expected to have cancer in their lifetime. In 1950, the rate was only one in 10. Today the United States holds five million cancer survivors. Another one million will be diagnosed in 1988; half as many will die this year. About two in five will still be alive five years after the diagnosis, most of whom will show no evidence of the disease.

WCRC currently offers a two-pronged approach to helping women faced with cancer-related issues. Since November 1987, the Center has sponsored a biweekly women's cancer drop-in support group. Women who have or had cancer meet there to share thoughts and feelings, discuss issues, exchange information, and give and receive support.

Winnow facilitates the group with another cancer survivor and professional facilitator, Regina Quemere, M.S.N. This year, Winnow hopes to form an all-lesbian support group, and possibly a group for partners and friends of lesbians with cancer.

WCRC also serves as an information clearinghouse, offering referrals to doctors or adjunctive care-givers who are especially sensitive to women's needs. Last June it co-sponsored a lesbian health forum in San Francisco. "Almost 200 women came, so we knew lesbians wanted more health information," Winnow says.

Thanks to recently awarded grants, such activities will be expanded this year to include a variety of education programs. The Golden Gate Business Association funded two WCRC forums for lesbians: one is a basic overview of cancer, the other covers legal affairs such as durable powers attorney, wills, and insurance. WCRC also got a grant from the Women's Foundation.

A set of six forums will be held on partners of chronically ill and disabled lesbians, chronic fatigue syndrome (Epstein-Barr virus),

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—June 20, 1987

ing together the thoughts and the emotions. One night, as I lay in bed, gripped by anxiety, I forced myself to imagine the worst thing that could happen to me: the cancer could come back. I imagined that my chest area was full of tumors. I imagined feeling their hard little forms. I scanned the surface of my skin and imagined a superficial local recurrence, some errant cells needing surgical excision. I touched my right armpit with my left hand and imagined that I was feeling swollen lymph nodes, and then I finally imagined the unthinkable: that it was in my neck, traveling up my spinal column into my brain. Slowly, I took a deep breath. I had thought the worst and began to cry with a deep sadness that I now know resides in me, with which I have an uneasy partnership. After being brave and courageous for a year and a half of treatment, my heart opened to an immense sadness. I cried for what I had to endure for the treatment, for an interrupted life, for the relentless rage I have about the malpractice and for the tragedy of an unfinished agenda.

Finally, I cried for myself. And, just like in an exorcism, the panic began to lift, the fear drifted away, and I was left drained but cleansed. Freedom, precious freedom, comes in so many forms.

For this year, I celebrate my freedom from fear, the virtues of serenity and security. I celebrate my toughness of mind and spirit, the ability to conquer fear without becoming hardened and thus compromising tenderness. I celebrate my connectedness with my family, my zany nephew, and my partner, Sandy, whose optimism I've relied on during many dark days. She has been my foundation, my grounding, my base. I celebrate all the lessons cancer has taught me, all the inner freedoms I am discovering and all the webbing of life that give the necessary illusion of terra firma, so that a person can take one step. And then another.

I celebrate the vastness, the largeness, the growing expansiveness and spaciousness of the person I have become, the largeness of my heart and the depth of my understanding.

It is so incredibly wonderful to be alive. Remember.

With love, Barbara

February 24, 1987
Dear Friends,

The cancer travels faster in me than I can write these letters to you. Since I've been in touch last, the cancer spread to my liver and lungs. I've had experimental treatment at UCSF which stopped the progress of the disease in the liver. Actually, my liver is back to normal functioning. But during that very same time, it spread to the lungs because I wasn't getting systemic treatment, only local treatment to the liver.

Because it spread to my lungs within six weeks of the liver metastasis, I thought I'd only have a few months to live, given the rate of diffusion of this disease. I have an extremely aggressive cell which doubles every 20 or so days. But my doctor is hopeful about the effect of chemotherapy on these metastases and thinks I might have six months at the low end, to possibly 15 months at the high end. I am grateful for this. Thank God for such things. I hate the thought of being on heavy chemo

again, but it's the only thing that will stop the further invasion of my body. I've already written to you about the side effects, the nausea, the fatigue, bleeding from my nose, etc. But I have to do it to stay alive, so there's no point in making this debatable or a question of preference. At least not now. If my body can't hold out or the pain is unbearable, I'll recalculate my choices at that time.

Most important, despite everything, I am really living. My sister Ruth came to stay for a week and brought along Asher, my 11-month-old nephew, who has the brightest, sunniest disposition I ever saw in a child. With Asher, I laughed. With Ruth, I cried. Ruth told me what it was like to have me as an older sister, and we wept together for the love, sadness and closeness between us. During her visit, Sandy and I had a healing circle of 16 close friends who brought poetry and prose to read, selections which talked about courage, strength and endurance. Some did not read at all but talked from their hearts about their awareness of life has changed because of having to confront my eventual death. To me, this is human chemotherapy, just like a shot in the arm. I need to know that I can provide for others a way to approach the ultimate, inescapable experience we all must face. That other people can learn from it, can be touched by it, derive meaning from it and make their lives fuller and richer—and more real—is extremely gratifying to me.

Another process is happening to me, one which probably has a name, but it eludes me. It has to do with coming to an inner essentialism. I seem to be getting simpler and simpler to myself, seem to know very clearly what my essence is. Things aren't so complicated any more. I can pick my favorite color and favorite ethnic food. I experience my choices and preferences as a step towards clarity, rather than limitation. Simplification, maybe that's what this process is called. It feels more like coming into one's fullest, truest self and simply acknowledging what is. The self revealed to the self, observed by the self. Simply. Coming to the essentials. Maybe this process should be called essentialization.

I am frightened occasionally, but I've decided to face the future with as much help as I can get from drugs, ranging from anti-nauseants to tranquilizers and sleeping pills. Anything that can make me more comfortable, I'm open to taking. I'm not in pain, but if that day comes, I will then take whatever medication is appropriate.

I am also aware of coming into a new openness, a lightness, an ease with which I face the completion of my life. I have known ecstasy and despair. I have lived well and richly and have a well-loved life. I love many people and am loved by them. I am fully present, fully conscious and fully human, as much as anyone who has ever explored the dimensions of what it means to be human. Life trembles with vibrations of living.

Although Heidegger is not my favorite philosopher, there are now lessons to be learned from him: A dog dogs. The world wounds. Barbara Barbaras. A world where nouns and verbs dissolve into essences. Barbara is still Barbara-ing, and that makes me feel alive, yet another way.

I am trying to make sense of this to myself and to you, to make intelligible to you the path

It has become clear to me that being a human being is the hardest thing in the world to do. Allowing people to be themselves, without judgment or wishing a change in outcome; creating expansion and space in one's heart and yet not letting it collapse from the weight of its own tenderness and despair.

I think for the first time that I can be consoled by life.

—December, 1987

that you will create for yourself, when it is your time.

With love, Barbara

June 8, 1987
Dear Friends,

Late last December, I was told my cancer had spread to my liver. In February, it moved to my lungs. Despite my illness and the additional treatment for it, I have lived for 5 months and I have lived well. I traveled to Hawaii, New York and have just returned from Florence. I've written a very good piece with Sandy, which has been accepted for publication. I'm now working on short, autobiographical essays on various themes (passion, courage, truth, judgment) which take the form of letters to my nephew. These short essays represent the embodiment of the values and feelings which have informed my life, and I want to pass them on to Asher.

Five weeks ago, tests showed that the cancer in my lungs is completely controlled, but that it was just beginning to grow again in my liver. I felt very discouraged, because I had undergone experimental liver treatment in January, and I had hoped its effects would last much longer than just a few months. In any case, this change in my status required a change in my chemotherapy. I was required to have a slow-infusion chemotherapy for six days in the hospital, after which I promptly left for Florence. In Florence, I developed some uncomfortable and frightening symptoms of water retention and cut my trip short. I was unable to visit my friends in London, as I had originally intended. Travel is now more difficult for me, and I must take it slowly and carefully.

When I returned, I became very depressed, because this was the first time that I actually had a symptom that so baldly and clearly represented a limitation for me. The new chemotherapy I get is stronger than anything I've ever had in the past, and the effects, too, are worse. The fatigue is overwhelming, and now I have other physical side effects like annoying sensations in my fingers, among others.

In order to cope with many of these horri-

My year will be spent trying to live a Zen wisdom I just learned: The path is easy. Try harder.

— December, 1987

ble circumstances and demands on my body and my spirit, I have withdrawn a little bit from life. I am a little more emotionally distant, a little numb, a little depressed. Depression is foreign to me. I get sad but not depressed generally, but now I occasionally feel deeply depressed, and that takes the form of not caring, of being numb, of pulling away. I have always been a very engaged and present person, hardly drifting away from people, attachments, commitments, conversations. Now, I have to make space in my life for the feelings of depression that come and go. I have to work at being kind to myself and not being too harsh or judgmental when I have these feelings of shutting off. After all, my unconscious is probably doing me a favor by shutting down and protecting me from all the anger I feel, the overwhelming loss and sadness I feel, and the thousand forms of resentment I must deal with when I compare my situation with that of my contemporaries.

This week, my doctor gave me a break by postponing chemotherapy for about 12 days. I now have some energy this week, sandwiched between treatments. This is now one of the ways I can improve the quality of my life, to have good weeks and break from chemotherapy, without running the risk of wild cancer growth. I cannot gingerly say anymore, "Thank God for these little things." I am angry, furious, resentful. I hate it. I hate how my life has turned into a series of doctors' appointments, treatments, side effects, blood tests, CAT scans, liver scans, bone scans. I have been more hopeful, more optimistic, more brave in the past. This stage is more difficult. This feels like an angry time.

I am committed to sharing with you this process, to make it more intelligible, more clear and more real. To lessen my feelings of isolation. To connect with friends. To tell the truth, no matter how painful that truth may be. The truth is that this is a hard time, and I rage against my fate. And another truth is that feelings come and go, fall and rise, manifest themselves and fade, change, become transformed. I am sure that more kinds of feelings will emerge as I pass from stage to stage along this path. I am certainly hoping that lightness and peace will come back soon.

Have the summer you want. Love, Barbara

June 20, 1987
A few days later

A few corrections, additions, clarifications and afterthoughts from the previous letter: I'm not angry all the time. In fact, allowing the rage to flow out has enabled me to feel relief. I'm happier and more energetic these last few weeks than ever.

I'm interested in things again after a long period of having to cope with emergencies, emergency treatment, the emotional impact of it all and then trying to get back to normal. I could probably cope better if my condition didn't change all the time. I would surely welcome a long period of stability and predictability. That hasn't been my experience in the last few months. It's been rough water, always changing. Now, at last, the cancer is controlled, my liver is functioning better, and I can rest for a little while.

Here's what Herb Caen calls 3-dot journalism:

I'm interested in things again... Thinking about talking in yiddish, spanish or french a few hours a week, getting a conversation tutorial started. Yiddish seems the most compelling... My liver is functioning normally again because I just lost four pounds—the first weight I am able to lose since the cancer traveled to my liver—which means the liver is metabolizing correctly. For my illness, poundage means bad liver. And so does water retention. I'll never be skinny and Camille-ish.

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Homecoming for the Quilt

BY TIM KINGSTON

A week before Christmas, the Names Project Quilt finally came home from Washington. Sponsored and backed by KPIX-TV, the Quilt's 2,176 panels were on view from December 17 to 20 for volunteers, friends, lovers, family, and everyone else in the Bay Area who cared. The concrete floor of the Moscone Center was bannered with the brightly colored quilt, bringing a humanity and warmth foreign to that normally sterile environment.

On the evening of December 17, volunteers re-enacted the Quilt's unfolding held the morning of the March on Washington in October. Since then, the Quilt has grown from a total of about 2,400 names to around 3,000. Cindy McMullin, sales coordinator at the Names Project Market Street office, says the number is expected to grow even more, as panels keep arriving.

"It's different from doing it in Washington," said Cleve Jones, founder of the Names Project, immediately after the ceremony. "...Doing it indoors... does something to the energy level... On the Mall somehow it was easier to bear; this makes it more stark; there is a harsher edge to it."

But something rang flat at first. The volunteers unfolding the panels seemed inconsequential in the concrete vastness. The calm, resonant voices reading names rang as if this were an "event," not a sharing. But slowly, the atmosphere changed.

The spell started: not so much a sense of grief, but one of respect for the dead, a remembrance of friends and lovers, different from the almost unbearable grieving of Washington. Walking around the perimeter of the Quilt as it unfolded, the spell wasn't just the ceremony, or reading of the names. The Quilt itself held power, each name lovingly inscribed and remembered. Nothing can take that away. Nothing.

Something else was special about the ceremony, a contrast sharply etched, one not heard in Washington. Cindy McMullin edged toward tears as she counted off her list of names. Torn and jagged, her voice wavered and nearly fell apart. McMullin's grief was followed by the reading by Priscilla Alexander, organizer of the California Prostitutes Education Project. Alexander's voice boomed, charged out angrily, like a war cry, a chant of rage for all those lost. All the gentle grieving exploded in anger as she concluded with a ringing tribute "to all prostitutes who have died, here and in Africa."

"Priscilla touched my heart," declared community activist Hank Wilson, "and she touched where I'm at, and that's anger — I mean we've had so many tears, so many friends and comrades, and we don't need any more, and we are going to lose more. We are going to lose more if we do the same reaction that we have done since 1981. We can be gentle, loving people eight hours a week but... we have a right to get outraged. And it's time. If we have a sense of our country and our culture, we know that when you scream people listen. If you cry weakly or are silent, they don't even hear the tears. You've got to scream."

"I mean, I want to be remembered as a hysterical queen," Wilson exclaimed. "Not as a gentle, loving, peaceful queen, that could read poetry and think of rainbows and butterflies, but as a fucking screaming scratching hysterical queen that up to the last minute was ready to scratch."

"Those of us that are in the second generation of AIDS, we know what's going to happen if we are quiet, if we allow this system not to respond to us. We are going to have more



Photo by Rick

quilts. We are gonna have square miles. We don't need that."

For the first time, the Quilt was seen by crowds not overwhelmingly gay. Straight families and couples peppered the crowd, as well as lovers and friends of the deceased.

A straight woman who grew up in San Francisco brought her "redneck" husband, who's never been comfortable with the gay population in San Francisco. "He stood in the middle of Moscone Center with tears streaming down his face," she said.

The Moscone Center was supposed to close at six on Sunday, but many weren't out the door until an hour later. By that time the Quilt was covered in mementos and flowers. Names Project volunteers picked them up and placed them by the door, like the attendants at the Vietnam memorial who pick up each day's remembrances.

"What's special is that so many more of the names are so much more familiar to the crowd," said a weary Mike Smith, general manager of the Names Project. "It's just real different doing it here, it feels so wonderful to finally share it with San Francisco. Here, I know so many in the crowd, it's like I'm finally able to show it to the people I care about. There are so many more panel makers in this crowd too. A lot more. I'd say about a third of the Quilt is panels from San Francisco and this is the first time many of them have seen the whole Quilt, as most of those panel makers couldn't go to Washington."

As usual, San Francisco is different from the rest of the country. As Smith put it, "The good thing is that we are already in a city that looks at this as a human problem and understands the need for the kind of compassion and love that the Quilt is about. This is a sort of homecoming, this is a warm crowd, an accepting crowd. It isn't the national media, who are confused and don't quite know what the message is and all that. Here is Eden. We're fine here. We are already in a community that cares."

Would that were true for the rest of the nation, especially those living at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

State Supreme Court May Overturn T-Room Law

BY TIM KINGSTON

"It's difficult to second guess the opinion of the court," declared Jay Kohorn, a Los Angeles gay rights attorney at a California Supreme Court hearing on December 10. However, Kohorn added, "I'm optimistic because the entire court understood the issues, which means that I will get a fair consideration."

The court reviewed oral arguments on the constitutionality and applicability of the state's statute restricting loitering with intent to commit a lewd and lascivious act in a public restroom or 647(d). A decision by the court is expected within the next few months. The challenge to the law came after two contradictory rulings on the law; in San Jose the law was upheld, while in Los Angeles the statute was roasted as unconstitutionally vague.

Although optimistic after the hearing, Kohorn refused to speculate exactly how the California Supreme Court would rule, or which judge would rule in what way, or — if the court overturned the statute — what the split would be; but the smile on his face contradicted his verbal caution.

For many, the law may be irrelevant or trivial, but for gay men (out or otherwise) arrested at public restrooms throughout the state, the impact can be traumatic, even deadly.

A police sweep of a public restroom in the Marina Green in San Francisco in December 1986 netted 56 men under 647(a) — engaging in a lewd and lascivious act — and 647(d). Virtually all the cases were dropped; still, one man jumped to his death from the Golden Gate Bridge, rather than face a public hearing on his arrest. A similar batch of recent arrests in Sacramento also led to a suicide.

The rarely enforced maximum penalty under the statute is a \$1,000 fine and/or six months in jail, but conviction under the statute requires a registration with local police as a sex offender. As Kohorn pointed out during testimony, a teacher prosecuted under the law could easily face immediate termination as a result of his "sex offender" status.

After the hearing, Kohorn pointed out that the 647(a) statute — actually being caught in the act of committing a so-called lewd and lascivious act — does not require registration as a sex offender, while prosecution under 647(d) for just loitering with intent to commit such an act, does.

Perhaps surprisingly in this day and age of the Hardwick decision, the Gay Olympics case, and a new Deukmejian-appointed California Supreme Court, the Justices appeared sensitive to the dangers of discrimination and homophobia that can flow from a prosecution under 647(d). As attorney Kohorn put it after the hearing, "I think the entire panel, except Chief Justice (Malcolm) Lucas, participated in the discussion in a lively way."

At one point, Justice Marcus Kaufman, one of two justices most obviously antagonistic to Kohorn's challenge, asked if sufficient proof of intent to violate 647(d) would be shown by an individual hanging out around a public restroom over a six-hour period and repeatedly entering the facility for fifteen minutes or so at a stretch. Justice Allen Broussard leaned forward, looked over at Kaufman with a sly smile and suggested, "He was probably in there peddling marijuana."

Even the poker-faced judges cracked a smile. Kohorn was pleased and noted Broussard's aside evinced the justices had done their homework. Kohorn's brief suggested many other reasons could explain an individual hanging around a public restroom, some il-



Graffiti at Marina Green bathroom

legal, some not. The question, as several justices noted, is how is the police officer supposed to know exactly what an individual is up to before he does something? Mind read?

Arguments before the Supreme Court that day centered on whether or not the law is constitutional, or if it can be applied fairly. Kohorn postulated the law is neither, because 647(d) was specifically designed to target gay men. As he put it, the legislative intent of 647(d) was to "cast a wide net" to apprehend and identify "undesirables," a term frequently used to harass gay men at the time the law was passed.

In response to Kohorn at the hearing, Thibodeaux said Kohorn was "confusing the laws of arrest with constitutional sufficiency." Thibodeaux declared that leaving decisions in the hands of police officers is perfectly appropriate. He added that innumerable laws would be thrown off the books if the judgment of police officers could not be trusted [Exactly!! — author's note].

Thibodeaux said 647(d) provides sufficient protection against unfair application and arrest, because only specific "lewd and lascivious" behaviors are proscribed. He made a very fine distinction between specific intent to commit a crime as opposed to just thinking about an activity defined as illegal. The rationale? 647(d) provides constitutional protection, because lewd and lascivious acts are defined under 647(a).

Thibodeaux admitted the law is redundant in the sense that both 647(a) and (d) rely on the same definition, and therefore (d) cannot be applied without reference to (a). In other words, simply because a law is redundant it is not necessarily unconstitutional. Does that make sense? Try reading it slowly one more time.

In any case, who is going to be making the arrest under 647(d)? Yes indeed, it's your friendly neighborhood vice cop, whose historical sympathy to lesbian and gay rights we all know and love.

Overall, Kohorn was pleasantly surprised at the tone of the debate during the December 10 hearing. He made special note to praise Thibodeaux, who opposed the challenge to strike the statute, saying "he was very fair and considerate."

A victory for Kohorn would represent a personal triumph, as well as for civil rights for gays. Kohorn has shepherded a series of suits involving unconstitutional criminal laws through the courts. "This is the last case in that group. For the last ten years we've got significant changes in the law (in our favor). I wanted my last case of this sort to be fun, and I think the court because they made it that way."

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Federal Funds Finally Arrive for AZT

BY TIM KINGSTON

After 6 months of waiting, San Francisco has received notice of a \$2.7 million allocation to provide AZT to low- and middle-income individuals not covered by health insurance. The city should start receiving cash to distribute the drug sometime within the next month. San Francisco's money is part of a special \$30 million release to pay for AZT obtained by the House of Representatives in July of last year.

Although some state officials say the wait is reasonable, Steve Morin, special assistant on health issues for Representative Nancy Pelosi, is not satisfied: "Am I the only one upset about this, or has everyone just lost interest in AZT?"

On August 3, the California Department of Health Services applied for \$7,636,317 under the Federal government's AZT program, which was instigated at the request of Representative Henry Waxman to assure that those who needed the drug would not be denied treatment as a result of the exorbitant price tag. California's request for the money was received August 18 by the Federal government. The state Health Department set up guidelines for distribution of the money on September 25. Thelma Frazier, chief of the State Office of AIDS, says that distribution of the money began as early as October 1 in some areas.

Morin, however, says that he had excessive difficulty in tracing where, when and how the funds are to be disbursed. He says he cannot see why the money is not yet widely available: "We couldn't be more frustrated by the lack of action since the appropriations, for no good reason. No one in the state is receiving payments of the money through the Federal program."

San Francisco health officials are up in arms about the state eligibility requirements. Dr.

David Werdegger, director of SF's Department of Health, sent a letter to Mayor Feinstein, declaring he was, "Greatly distressed by the regulations." He argued, "Very few of (the city's) working poor would qualify under the state guidelines," because their income would put them over the \$11,000 limit; but without health insurance, they would be unable to pay for the drug. Werdegger estimated that as many as 700 out of 2,000 ARC and AIDS patients who would benefit from AZT will be unable to receive the therapy under the state's current guidelines.

Thelma Frazier in Sacramento disagree with the SF officials' assessment that the program is progressing at less than optimum speed. "You just can't go around saying here are some dollars," protested Frazier. She said getting the money out is dependent on the counties, and each county has discretion over how and where the money goes.

Frazier did, however, acknowledge that SF is not alone in its complaints about the state guidelines being too restrictive. She said she has received similar pleas to allow more AZT coverage from several counties, among them LA and Alameda. Frazier argued that because it was not known exact how many ARC and AIDS patients would be eligible, the state decided to start with restrictive guidelines that can later be expanded, rather than exhaust the money rapidly. That is a step Frazier assured *Coming Up!* the state is more than willing to take.

As far as timing goes, Jeff Amory of the SF AIDS Activity office stated, the six months it has taken for the AZT money to go from Washington, D.C. to San Francisco, "as far as bureaucratic procedures go, that is a pretty fast turnaround. More typically it is a year or two."

Still, six months is six months, and Amory says of those who want things to move faster, "I don't mean their expectations are inappropriate; it's just the state doesn't move that fast." Amory declared further, "I'm being the cynic in expecting the state to go slow. In this case, the state has moved faster on this than normal, but not as fast as Werdegger and other people think it ought to."



LaRouche Qualifies for the Ballot

BY BRETT McDONNELL

AIDS activists have begun gearing up for a rematch of the fight over Proposition 64 just a year after their victory on that initiative. The same people who brought us 64 have introduced a nearly identical measure to the June ballot.

The new, as yet unnumbered initiative — which received over 700,000 signatures, twice what was needed to put it on the ballot — redefines the condition of being HIV-positive as an "infectious, communicable and contagious disease," and thus makes it "reportable." The powers that public officials have over people with reportable diseases include quarantining and removal from certain jobs,

such as food-handling and teaching. In response, about 50 lesbian and gay activists met on December 5 at the Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood to form an as yet unnamed federation to fight the Son (Daughter?) of 64. This initial meeting virtually reassembled the individuals and organizations at the heart of the anti-64 campaign, including "all the major organizations dealing with the politics of AIDS," according to Ralph Payne, a San Francisco activist deeply involved in the past and present efforts.

Last time around, this coalition did quite well. In 1986, a group led by Brian Lantz and Kushiro Gandhi, "who have run as (Lyndon) LaRouche delegates," says Payne, put Proposition 64 on the November California ballot.

"In the last election," says Payne, "the big fear was that they were going to pour millions of dollars into a media campaign. That didn't happen because of things beyond their control," especially an FBI investigation of LaRouche. The "No on 64" group raised \$3 million and got the support of most of the state's mainstream politicians.

This time out the story is likely to be different. No one knows if the public's attitude has changed — the new federation plans to commission a poll on that subject. It is also unclear whether the LaRouche followers will be able to dip into their organizational entities — conceivably they could, and then "mount a formidable campaign," in Payne's words. It does appear, though, that the AIDS activists will be unable to raise as much money as last time.

This is partly because people are burnt out by the last battle, and partly because there are now more fronts on which to fight. "Many people are exhausted," says Payne. "Many people are sick, and many people are angry as hell that we have to keep on fighting attacks."

Some of the other attacks come in the form of two other initiatives likely to appear on the November ballot. One, supported by State Senator John Doolittle, Rep. William Danneremeyer and Paul Gann, calls for mandatory reporting of those who test HIV-positive and for contact tracing of their sexual partners. It would also allow insurance companies to use HIV test results in denying coverage. Payne comments that, "Insurance companies are reported to be interested in pouring lots of money into this."

The other possible November initiative, supported by Sheriff Block of LA County and State Senator Ed Davis, calls for mandatory testing of sex offenders. The testing suggested is not only of convicted offenders, but also of those merely suspected, the theory being that it takes too long for cases to go to court. Payne fears the sentiment on this one, saying "That's hard for us to answer, except for civil rights arguments, and that's not appealing for rape cases."

Lesbian and gay activists will also face many issues in the state legislature, and on the national level as well, as the Helms Amendment shows. There is also a big battle brewing over Art Agnos' former Assembly seat, which will likely absorb much time and money. Then there is the presidential campaign. And, of course, AIDS continues to take its own toll in all sorts of ways. Lesbian and gay activists will find their calendars filled and their pocket-books emptied in the the coming months.

These threats, and more positive experiences like the March on Washington, have brought the lesbian and gay community closer together, and the new federation reflects this. According to Payne, its purpose is not simply to fight the June initiative, but to serve as a "think tank" for "strategic planning" on AIDS issues. Of the four task forces formed at the initial meeting, only one focusses on ballot initiatives. The other three look at federal issues, such as the Helms Amendment and upcoming Party conventions, at state legislation, and at civil disobedience.

Comments Payne, "We are sick of constant attack. We have to form a strategy for dealing with it. The first step is recognizing it. No one is going to help us, and some of our friends are dropping us" (he cited Senator Alan Cranston and his betrayal on the Helms Amendment)."

One positive measure may be on the June ballot. Last year the state legislature strongly passed a bill that would have given a tax credit to people who donate money to AIDS research. Unfortunately, the Governor vetoed the bill. However, with its strong legislative support, it might be possible to get this proposal on the June ballot as a constitutional amendment. Whether or not this will happen should be decided by January 27.

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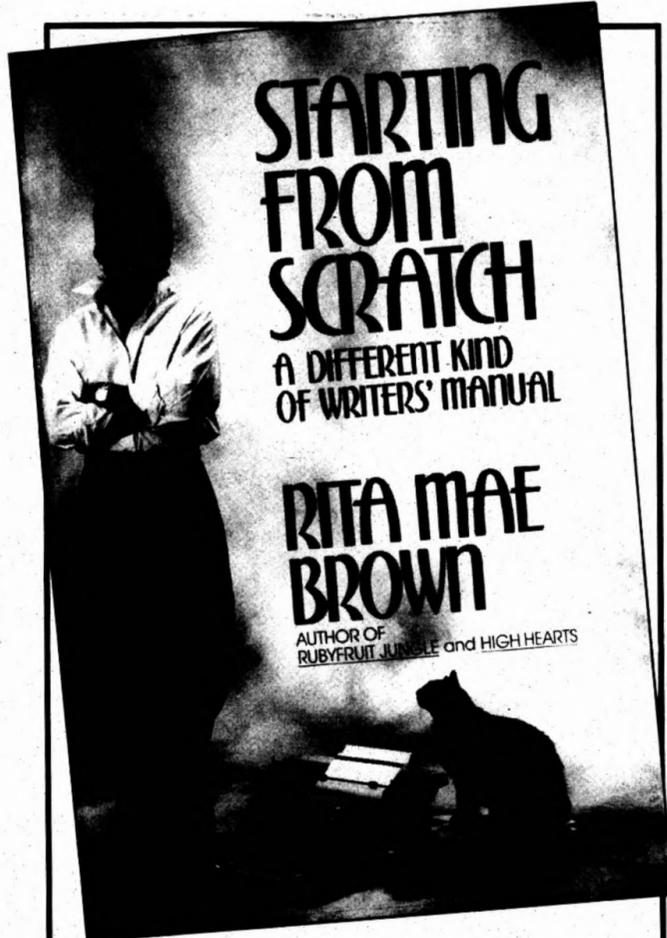
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Just to get it out of the way, please allow me to predict ten things that will most definitely not happen in 1988:

- Lia Belli will be struck by the muse Terpsichore and revolutionize the art with her brilliant footwork which will be known as "Belli Dancing."
- Dianne Feinstein will recant on her support of the USS Missouri, saying it was all a gross mistake due to the fact that she's a great fan of an obscure blues singer named Bertha Homeport. (This counts as two non-predictions. Even more unlikely than Dianne Feinstein being a blues fan is the possibility of her admitting she'd ever made any kind of mistake.)
- The Daughters of the Missions of Charity will merge with the California Motorcycle Club to form a new group called "Leather Theresa."
- Television stars of yesteryear Jay North (Dennis the Menace) and Adam West (Batman) will make their comebacks with Oliver North's film debut in a remake of Alfred Hitchcock's *North by Northwest*.
- Newly appointed Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy will make his first statement regarding the Miranda Rights wearing a towering tutti-frutti hat.
- Ronald Reagan will discover that the Arias plan has nothing to do with opera. (This also counts as a double. It is incredible enough that Reagan would learn anything!)
- Jesse Helms will have an erection.
- Yassar Arafat will have a guest spot on *Miami Vice* as Don Johnson's barber.
- The remaining Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence will kick their habits as they form a new recovery group called "AlaNun."

Now, then, are we ready to get serious? This could indeed get very serious, but therein lies the challenge. This month begins an almost year-long conjunction of Uranus and Saturn. This only happens once every 45 years, so pay close attention. You really wouldn't want to miss it, because it sure won't miss you.

Saturn represents structure and stability; Uranus is disruption and innovation. When these two planets come together, we have a rare challenge to look at how we deal with authority, ambition, and restrictions in our lives and how we can do so more as a process of conscious, deliberate choice.

Most human beings (and presumably you) have a great deal of set patterns in dealing with bosses, cops, parents, landlords, and react in ways that are more automatic than we realize. This pattern for dealing with authorities starts in infancy with our parents, so it goes very deep and very subconscious. At best, these patterns manifest as discipline, at worst as inhibition. Sometimes the dictates of parental authority serve us well (as in, "Don't stick your hand in the fire!" or "Don't play in traffic.") Sometimes they are absurd and destructive. ("Don't play with it or it will fall off!")

It is then a natural part of growth to reach out beyond the established barriers. We may do so in a way that is creative and innovative, or in a way that is merely rebellious and cantankerous.

Scanning births in previous Saturn-Uranus conjunctions, we find individuals who have defied established norms and forms. The most recent such conjunction (1941-1942) gave us Bob Dylan, White Panther founder John Sinclair, Muhammad Ali, Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin and Lynn Redgrave — some of the leading lights of a rebellious era. The previous conjunction in 1897 bore Alexander Calder, George Gershwin, Sergei Eisenstein, Norman Vincent Peale, Bessie Smith, M.C. Escher, Amelia Earhart and Wilhelm Reich — people

who through art or action or philosophy challenged the established norms of their day.

Today, Norman Vincent Peale doesn't seem at all revolutionary, but his philosophy of dynamic positivism was in many ways a precursor to much New Age thought. At the heart of it, he taught people to take responsibility for their actions and not be victimized by pre-established patterns of behavior. This is perhaps the core of the lesson to be learned in this conjunction. Each of us can develop his own personal sense of authority and accomplishment by breaking through his own barriers and patterns. The greatest challenge to society is not rebellion (although it may hold that apparent form) but actions and creativity that arise out of deep personal integrity.

SUN SIGNS

The changes indicated here are major and not likely to come without some drama. They will occur through the year, slowly and deeply. Don't expect these issues to be resolved anytime too soon, but be prepared to deal with them over a while beginning now.

Aries: You like to think of yourself as a free thinker, but the truth is that in your individualism you rarely consider how your thinking has been influenced by your background. Philosophical questions will demonstrate how deeply traditional actually influences you. Embracing wild notions "to prove your independence" is no independence. It's reaction. You probably derive greater strength from those roots than you know. Understanding that strength and thoughtfully adapting from the source will grant you the truest independence.

Taurus: This era of morbidity does not suit at all your natural erotic exuberance. It may even be tempting to damn the consequences and risk all to heedless abandon. But safe sex needn't be dull, and you can actually be more adventurous with some thoughtful creativity within healthy guidelines. Even greater challenges lie deep within. Surrounded by death it is hard to remember the inevitability of rebirth. Take time to look deep within to see how you have grown stronger and changed for the better.

Gemini: You've been making great demands (or holding high ideals) for your relationship while insisting on your own freedom to be as you wish. This sounds very contradictory, but you've managed to rationalize it somehow. Actually, you can reconcile these apparent opposites, if not quite the way you'd thought.

Cancer: You benefit greatly from the challenge of hard work, and if it's your work you enjoy, all the better. You've recently been working especially hard and feeling perhaps too attached to your work. There is on the one hand the need to prove yourself at what you're doing, and on the other to do exactly what you want to do. The obvious answer is to have exactly the kind of work you want. If you try to accept a bad situation, you will only end up subverting the work you are compromising yourself for.

Leo: You've been showing some odd ideas of fun lately. But that's perfectly fine; to each his own. Perhaps in the effort to get along and entertain your friends you've been denying your more unusual pleasures. If so, your dissatisfaction is sure to show, and your efforts not to be a party pooper are self-defeating. Your entertainments may begin to prove beneficial beyond "mere" amusement. In this case, marching to a different drummer could put you at the head of the parade.

Virgo: Answer this quick: "Home is where the (what?) is." After coming up with the immediate answer of your choice, take some time to think about it. You have tricky domestic issues this year in which you will need to reconcile a deep need to live as you wish with some very real obligations. Take your time to figure it out and you may achieve a very satisfying solution. Hasty action will only shortchange you and could cost you your home.

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COMING UP! CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE BAY AREA

JANUARY

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1 FRIDAY

BWMT Black-Eyed Pea Party 2-6 pm, \$7. Tax/location info: 931-BWMT, 653-0925.

Circle of the Sacred Gospel meets for 8 pm service, followed by Friday Night Social, 9 pm-midnight. Males 18+ welcome. Refreshments served. \$2 donation. Info: 552-7339.

Get the New Year off to a hilarious start with comic Marga Gomez at Artemis Cafe, 1199 Valencia St. SF. 8 pm. \$6. Info: 821-0232.

SF Frontrunners Hangover/Lincoln Blvd Run meet 10 am at Irving & Sunset. SF. Easy, flat run along the Blvd. 4 miles. Info: 647-3227, 337-8704.

Vegetarian New Year's Brunch New Year & Holiday Treats from various traditions offered by SF Macrobiotic Network. soup, black-eye peas, collards & corn bread, rice salad, tempeh salad, baked yams, tossed green salad, cranberry bread, pickles, walnut mochi, pecan tarts, grain coffee or tea. Buffet service 11:30 am-1:30 pm, \$10 or SL. Zen Cir Guest House, 273 Page St at Laguna, SF. Info: 431-2122.

2 SATURDAY

Lesbian Games Party! Play Scrabble, Scruples, Pictionary, etc. Info: Zeke 552-1353.

Gay Gourmet Potluck in SF for women & men who enjoy cooking. Share a favorite dish & meet people. 7 pm. RSVP. Nikos 775-6143 11 am-11 pm.

Public Fellowship at 746 Clementine St. Apt. 2. An eve of camaraderie in the best South-of-Market tradition. Sexy movies, refreshments, midnight snack. Doors open 7:30 pm thru 1 am. Males 18+ welcome. Info: 621-1887.

FOG Game Night join Fraternal Order of Gays for a night of great board games—Monopoly, Scrabble, Risk, Trivial Pursuit & many others. Refreshments & snacks served. 8 pm, FOG House, 304 Gold Mine Dr., SF. Info: 641-0999.

Singer Lisa Collins at Artemis Cafe, accompanied by Tracy Stark, 1199 Valencia St. SF. 8 pm. \$5. Info: 621-0232.

Feeling Queer film to benefit Company In Flight Studios. Funk, soul, r&b, world beat, dub, african, reggae, juju, high life, jazz, new & golden old, pop, hip-hop. don't stop till you drop—get off yo ass 'n jam with dj Veronica at 333 Dolores St (at 18th), SF. 35 gen'l, starts & adv 'x \$3. 8 pm-2 am, smoke-free space. No one turned away for lack of funds. Info: 655-LIVE.

Duck's Bread Mystery Theatre presents "A Curmudgeon's Night's Dream" at Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave, Berkeley. Eve of six tunes, aerobic wit & lots of laughs. 8:30 pm. \$8 adv. \$9 at door. Info: 548-7234. **Heartseaver CPR Class** at District Health Cr—4, 1450 Mason St. SF. 9 am-12:30 pm. \$3. Info: 558-3158. **Alameda Showers Run** with Eastbay Footwear. Take 23rd Ave exit off Hwy 17 to Kennedy St. Continue on Kennedy (merges briefly with 23rd), turning right onto Park St. Cross Park St Bridge into Alameda, continue to end of Park St. Meet at intersection of Park St & Shoreline Dr. 9:30 am. Flat 3.5 mile loop. Info: 939-3579, 261-3246.

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Partners of Power workshop with Margo Adar & Shea Howell. Transform how we unintentionally duplicate relations of domination with each other, especially dynamics resulting from racial & class differences. Learn how to become effective allies of one another. SL. Pre-reg required. Info: 861-8838.

3 SUNDAY

Lesbians & Gays for Slaves of Northern Calif hold an outreach mtg 2-4 pm, Dolores Plaza Recreation Room, 1839 15th St. SF. Food & refreshments served. Free admission. Info: Jon 552-3542.

G Forty Plus Mtg features talk by psychologist Martin Slone on the New Year 2-4 pm. First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin at Geary. SF. Donations for the AIDS Food Bank welcome. Teletex, vitamins, soup & brown rice are especially

needed.

Ex-Lesbian lesbian-feminist support & study group for lesbians who have had friends and/or lovers go back to men and/or stop identifying as lesbians. Discuss how to make sense of the disturbing trend of "ex-lesbians" during the backlash 80s. Info: Ann 665-6746.

Sliders & Gay Athletes (SAGA) Monthly Membership Mtg. come meet their gay skiers 7 pm, St. John's Church Hall, 5th Ave & Irving. SF. Info: 928-1736.

Palo Alto Lesbian Rep Group meets 7:30 pm at the Old Firehouse, Stanford campus. Tonight's topic: Relationships... What Makes Them Work? Info: Marilyn 969-1260.

Sunset Blvd Run with SF Frontrunners. Meet 10 am at Irving & Sunset. SF. Easy, flat run along the Blvd. 4 miles. Info: 647-3227, 337-8704.

"Electric City" lesbian/gay TV magazine airs at 10 pm, Oakland cable channel 35. News, entertainment, community events, surprise guests.

Kills the Magician with birds, bunnies, puppets & ventriloquism performs at Kidshows Performing Arts Series for Children. Two shows: 11 am & noon. Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave, Berkeley. \$3.50. Info: 548-7234.

4 MONDAY

Women's Info to Offset Printing free workshop describes offset printing, training program & job opportunities. 1-3 pm, Mission Community College, 106 Bartlett St. SF. Room 301. No pre-reg necessary. Info: 648-5866.

Help Battered Women Help Themselves see 1/28.

Feeling Like a Stranger film about ritual, mystery, beauty & myth, screens at Calif Institute of Integral Studies (lower level auditorium), 765 Ashbury St. SF. 6:30 pm. \$4. Info: 753-6100. **Teaching the Limits** fast-paced AIDS documentary on creative activism & grassroots education efforts by ACT-UP & minority communities in NYC. 6:30 pm tonight, 6 pm on 1/12, 8:30 pm 1/14, 10:30 am on 1/29. PCTV Cable 47 in Oakland, 29 in Alameda.

Beach Party with SF Band Foundation—today's the deadline to order your tix for this bash—see 1/24.

Open Screen Film & Video Showcase at Firehouse 7, 3160 16th St. SF. 9:30 pm. Free info: 621-1617.

5 TUESDAY

Volunteers Needed to help AIDS/ARC patients in SF's Veterans Hospital. Visit patients, help in simple, non-medical & non-personal care tasks. Contact Paula Bender at 750-2044 to find out how you can help. **Black, Hispanic & Transsexual Anthropology** submissions welcome. For writer's guidelines, send SASE to Susan Levitt, editor, 358-A 51st St. Oakland CA 94609.

Berkeley Law Foundation welcomes proposals for grants for 1987-88. The Foundation will award 2-4 grants for individual work for 12 months to full-time lawyers undertaking public interest projects serving the legally disadvantaged or the poor. For application packet write Boalt Hall School of Law, Room 1E, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720. Deadline: 2/1.

Asian Gay Men's Support Group discuss growing up gay & Asian, coming out to family & friends, racial & sexual stereotyping, relationships with other men, safe sexual practices, developing healthy self-images, plus topics of your own choosing. Tuesdays, 6:30-8 pm, for 8 weeks. Spots by Pacific Cr, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. To register, you must attend tonight's session. Info: 626-2278.

Sunday SOUL (Slightly Older Lesbians) meets 7-9 pm, Billy DeFrank Cr, 104 Park Ave (bet Race & Lincoln), San Jose. Tonight's topic: "Create A Woman"—discuss & share definitions of "woman" & "womanly" qualities. Newcomers welcome.

BWMT AIDS Awareness Mtg deals with people of color issues surrounding AIDS. All welcome. 7:30 pm, 3135 Courtland, Oak. Info: 261-7922.

6 WEDNESDAY

GLOE Wed Mtg meets: join Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders for an afternoon of movies, discussion & refreshments. Free. 2:15-4 pm, North of Market Senior Services, 333 Turk St. SF. Info: 626-7000. **Therapy for Older Lesbians** workshop for older lesbians & gay men, taught by George Birniss. Spots by Operation

Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders). Meets 8 pm Wednesdays. Info: Elaine Porter or George Rosen, 626-7000. **Heartseaver CPR Class** at Pacific Presbyterian Medical Cr, 2333 Buchanan St. Merrill Room, 1st Floor. SF. 6:30-9:30 pm. \$2. Info: 923-3362.

"How to Give Away Money" is the topic at today's Castro Lions Club mtg. Guest speakers: Bob Murk & Cheri Bryant, co-chairs of Golden Gate Business Assoc (GGBA) Foundation. 6:30 pm, no-host cocktails, 7 pm dinner (optional, \$10) meeting, Cafe DuNord Restaurant, 2170 Market St. SF. Info: 626-9081.

James Baldwin A Tribute at Harvey Milk Library, 3565 16th St. SF. Peg Cruikshank & Jack Collins read from his work. Come read or come listen. Free. For time & other info: 626-1132.

Open Mike Comedy Night at Mama Bears with MC Karen Ripley. 7 pm, \$2. Women only. Reservations suggested. Info: 428-9684, 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oak. SF. **Hiding Club Gen'l Mtg** 7:30 pm, Eureka Valley Rec Cr, Colingwood at 18th (next to Cole Market), SF. Sideshow with photographer Charles Kennard, author of Landmarks.

"Turning the Wheel of Change", class in spiritual visions & practices with Ellen Meredith, conscious channel & healer. East Bay location. SL. Info: 763-1942.

FOG German Class Easy & fun, emphasis on conversation. 8 pm, FOG House, 304 Gold Mine Dr. SF. Info: Fraternal Order of Gays 641-0999.

Poetry at Cody's An Eve with Robert Peters—Peters reads from his most recent book of drama/poetry, *The Blood Countess*. 8 pm, upstairs at Cody's Books, 2454 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: 845-9033.

Psychic Opera: John Fleck's wicked, hilariously funny solo performance, synchronized with video cassettes from blue movie clips, scenes of family life & "Leave it to Beaver", the JFK assassination & AIDS. In addition, Fleck sings arias, switching between falsetto & basso. 8:30 pm tonight thru 1/10 at Life on the Water, Ft. Mason Cr, SF. Tix: \$10 Wed, \$12 Thurs & Sun, \$14 Fri & Sat. Tix at BASS. Info: 621-7797. **American Inroads** production, "Electric City" monthly gay/lesbian TV magazine airs at 9 & 9:30 pm on the PCTV Cable Network in Oak, Berkeley, Alameda & Emeryville. Community events, interviews, entertainment, surprise guests.

7 THURSDAY

Church of the Sacred Gospel service 2 pm, followed by carnal communion till 4 pm. Males 18+ welcome. Refreshments served. \$2 donation. Info: 552-7339.

"Diagnose: Alzheimer's Disease—What does this mean?" free lecture, part of French Hospital's "Aging & Health Issues" series. 2:30-3 pm, French Hospital, 6th Ave & Arza St. SF. Enrollment limited, pre-reg required, call the Appt Desk 666-8899 for info. **Unique, Sometimes Outrageous** folk music by James Anderson at ClaireLight Women's Books, 1110 Petaluma Hill Rd, Ste 5, Santa Rosa. 7 pm, \$4-8 SL. Info: (707) 575-8879.

Lulu Chrysantheum by Miko Naruse. Acquired 1954, Japanese film reveals an early post-war Japan with turn-of-century heroines, 3 displaced geishas too old to pursue the trade. Having outgrown the comfort & status their profession provided, they face poverty, loneliness, the departure of their children & their own ambivalence about men with a mixture of humor, subtlety & sake. Loosed from convention, they are informal physically & open emotionally. Film, adapted from the novel of a popular Japanese woman novelist, is reminiscent of French New Wave, & anticipates feminist filmmaking. Screens 1/7-10 at the New York Theater, 2789 24th St (bet Bryant & Potrero), SF. Showtimes: Thurs & Fri—7:15 & 9:15 pm; Sat & Sun—1, 3, 5, 7:15 & 9:15 pm. Info: 262-0131.

BWMT-Rep: "Myths & Fantasies of Racism". 7:30 pm, 1350 Water St. SF. Info: 931-BWMT.

Bay Area Women's Construction Brigade to Nicaragua at Old Wives Tales: slideshow & discussion of ongoing project. 1009 Valencia St. SF. 7:30 pm, donation. Everyone welcome. Info: 821-4676.

La Pena Community Chorus in an evening of New Song from Latin America. Benefit for sister cultural center in Chile. Chile. 7:30 pm, \$4-6 SL. La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: 849-2568.

Battered Lesbians therapy group for lesbians who are in or have left violent relationships. Being in a battering relationship affects your self-esteem, your ability to be intimate & trusting. This group focuses on the special needs of lesbians who have been in violent relationships with women. Thurs eves, East Bay. Ongoing. New



A shy man finds self-confidence when he's alone practicing magic in Woody Allen's "The Floating Lightbulb." see Onstage.



Physique '88 Bodybuilding: Blanche Cliver (l) & Kitty Taul — 1/31.



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SATURDAYS: Dance, Dance, Dance
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tion of the different issues & cycles involved in lesbian relationships.

Indian Vegetarian Cooking Class & Meal with FOG: traditional North Indian vegetarian cooking. Students participate in preparing a delicious meal, to be enjoyed after class. Instructor Lalit Dasa reviews basic cooking techniques, ingredients & spices. For info & res. call: Fraternal Order of Gays, 641-0999. Reservations should be made by 1/11, 7 pm, 304 Gold Mine Dr. SF.

X-T-A-C Cross Country Ski Club Potluck & Demo. See slides from last ski trip, video show & presentation geared toward beginner skiers. 7-9 pm, 1618 Castro St. SF. Both beginning & experienced skiers welcome. Info: 885-3374.

Love Poetry by Dorothy Friedman. Ms Friedman reads from her work at A Woman's Place Bookstore, 4015 Broadway, Oakland. 7 pm. Info: 547-9920.

"Stories for Peace on Earth"—Gay Ducey, Nancy Schimmel & other Bay Area Storytellers in a concert to benefit Help Kids Communicate/Aid for Hearing-impaired Children, Inc. Nicaragua, a TECNICA-spons project. Concert is for adults & children over 10 years of age. 7 pm, \$5. La Pena Cultural Ctr. Berkeley, SIGN, WA. Info: Terry Mitchell 848-0292.

Lesbian Healing Arts Action Circle for incest Battered Gay Women: help each other video our expressive therapies. Action oriented. Initial planning mtgs in SF 7 pm tonight & 1/28. Bring brief show "n tells", wholesome potluck snacks and/or \$2 donation toward future video costs. No yuppie snobs. Info: 826-5847.

BWMT Rap: "Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance" 7:30 pm, 1350 Walter St. SF. Info: 931-BWMT.

Balinese Family Dances: performance by visiting artist I.N. Sumanthi & his family, part of Asian Art Museum's celebration of Balinese performing arts. 7:30 pm, \$5. Trustees' Auditorium, Asian Art Museum, Golden Gate Park. SF. Info: 668-8921.

A Simple Fact: bookparty for Cathy Cockrell's collection of short stories about families, in their various configurations. 7:30 pm, free. Everyone welcome. Info: 821-4676.

Micro Wars: award-winning videographer Sherry Miller explores the nuclear family & militarist mentalities, using satire & philosophy. 8 pm, PCTV Network cable channels 47 in Oakl, 29 in Berkeley, 59 in Alameda.

Testing the Limits: see 1/4.

"The Ongoing Challenge: Feminism & Free Speech in the 80s"—Constance Scott of Radical Women discusses issues facing women today. Noon-1 pm, free. Spots by UCSF Women's Resource Ctr. Toland Hall. Info: 476-5836.

15 FRIDAY

"Issues in Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Counseling", a workshop by Calif Institute of Integral Studies core faculty member Vern Haidick. Explore your own & others' attitudes & experiences toward gays, lesbians & bisexuals, within the context of the counseling experience. 6-9 pm today, 9 am-5 pm tmw. \$80. Info/fes: 753-6100. TGIF with Bay Area Career Women—see 1/8.

Poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti reads from his work at the SF Press Club, 555 Post St. SF. 7 pm reception (no-host beer & hors d'oeuvres); 8 pm reading, followed by question & answer period & book signing. Ticket \$7.

El Grupo Sociocultural, a gay/lesbian Spanish club, meets this eve in Hayward, at 7:30 pm, free. Everyone asked to speak in Spanish. Beginners & native speakers welcome. Bring beverage or "casabecons". Info: Welter 776-1776.

BWMT Eastbay Social: Games Night. 7:30 pm. Info: 482-3347.

Wayang Kulit: Shadow Puppet Theater Show at Asian Art Museum Trustees' Auditorium, Golden Gate Park. SF. 7:30 pm, \$5. Info: 668-8921.

The Chieftains perform traditional Irish reels, jigs, airs & ballads at UC Berkeley's Zellerbach Hall. 8 pm, \$14.50 & \$16.50. Info: 842-9988.

Church of the Secret Gospel meets at 8 pm, see 1/1.

A Bee On The Beach: dance performance by Sha Sha Higby, sculptor/dancer extraordinaire. 3 wkends, Fri & Sat, 11/15-16, 22-23, 29-30, 8 pm, \$9. Hatley Martin Gallery, 41 Powell St. SF. Info: 392-1015, 392-1024.

Melanie Monsur: with vocals, piano & synthesizer at Mama Bears, 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakl. 8 pm, \$4.6. Women only. Info: 428-9684.

A Truly Eventful Eve of Juggling & Juggling with the highly acclaimed & very funny juggler Frank Oliver at Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave, Berkeley. 2 nights of remarkable feats by this astonishing talent—8:30 pm tonight & tmw. Ticket \$7 adv, \$8 at door. Info: 548-7234.

Single Women's Mendocino Retreat at Osprey Hill Retreat Ctr, 5 miles south of Mendocino, 1 mile to the Pacific Ocean. Lots of hiking, laughing, redwood & fir trees. Probably raining! \$55 includes all meals. Limit to 20. Info/fes: Mary King 236-2783. Spons by Gay/Lesbian Serrans.

Hot Dance Night with Maxine Howard and **Her Rhythm & Blues Explosion**, R&B at its best, tonight's show dedicated to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 9:30 pm, \$6 adv, \$7 at door. La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: 849-2568.

Zulu Spear and Don & Handbone at Berkeley. 7:30-10:30 pm, SF. 10 pm, \$6. Info: 821-1617.

The Stickers **Rock the Chi Chi**—10:30 pm, \$4, 440 Broadway, SF. Discount ticket: 653-2677.

Bear Valley Ski Trip with X-T-A-C Cross Country Ski Club. 1/15-17. Includes 2 nights condo lodging, Fr night dinner, Ski lessons available. Car pooling available. Info: 885-3374.

16 SATURDAY

Dramatic Reading with Jess Wells, taken from her new book *Two Willow Chairs*, short stories on lesbian love & life. 5 pm, \$4-8 SL. Info: (707) 575-8879.

Lesbian Games Party! See 1/2.

Potluck Dinner Party & Garden Tour spon by Hortiphiles, a group for lesbians & gays who enjoy growing plants. Call Henrietta 792-6627 or Geoff 325-7212 for info.

Gay Gourmet Potluck: see 1/2.

Phelic Fellowship: see 1/2.

A Bee On The Beach: dance performance with Sha Sha Higby, see 1/15.

Melanie Monsur's musical style ranges from blues to new age. Hear her at Artemis at 8 pm tonight, 1199 Valencia St. SF. \$4-6 SL. Info: 821-0232.

Over Our Heads: improv comedy at Mama Bears with Karen Ripley, Teresa Chandler, Anne Larson & Marian Damon. 8 pm, \$6-8. Women only. Info: 428-9684.

Living With AIDS: 1-day seminar led by Tom O'Connor, author of *Living With AIDS: Reaching Out*. Discussions with several PWAs in our community on how they are able to live full & active lives despite the negative prognosis of their doctors' emphasis on self-empowerment, taking control of our lives. 9 am-5 pm, \$30 genl, \$17 low-income. \$5 discount on advance purchase. MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St. SF. Info: 628-0469. Program repeats on 1/23 & 30.

Heartseaver CPR Class at District Health Ctr -3, 1525 Silver Ave, SF. 9 am-12:30 pm, \$3. Info/fes: 468-1568.

Inspiration Pt-Tilden Park Run with Eastbay Frontrunners. Take Grizzly Peak to either South Park Dr or Shasta Rd. Continue to Wildcat Canyon Rd. Meet at parking lot, left side of road. 9:30 am. Flat to slight incline, 3-8 mile loop. Info: 939-3579, 261-3246.

Yoga & Meditation Workshop for Women: opportunity to go deeper in your practice of hatha yoga, breathing exercises & meditation. 9:30 am-1 pm, \$20-25. Led by Ali Hammer 654-8765.

Inspiration Point/Tilden Park Run with Eastbay Frontrunners. Take Grizzly Peak to either South Park Dr or Shasta Rd. Continue to Wildcat Canyon Rd. Meet 9:30 am, parking lot on left side of road. Flat to slight incline, 3-8 mile loop. Info: 939-3579, 261-3246.

The Shadow Master, film by Larry Reed & I.N. Sumanthi. Part of Asian Art Museum's celebration of Balinese performing arts. 10-11 am in the Trustees' Auditorium, Golden Gate Park, SF. Free. Info: 668-8921.

Master Shadow Puppet Workshop led by Larry Reed & I.N. Sumanthi. Reed & Sumanthi demonstrate & assist participants in different aspects of shadow puppet theater production. Intro to the myths, icons, voice production, puppet making, scene practice & specialized puppet movements. Drama teachers, performance artists, or anyone interested in knowing more about this ancient form of theater is welcome. Today & tmw, 10 am-4 pm, \$50. Limited enrollment. Asian Art Museum, Golden Gate Park, SF. Info/fes: 668-8921.

17 SUNDAY

Healing Your Amuse System: workshop for activating humor in the treatment of AIDS/ARC. 1-4 pm, \$10. No one turned away for lack of funds. Presented by the SF School of Re-Mirthing. Guan Yin Acupuncture Ctr, 513 Valencia St. SF.

Heartseaver CPR Class at Holy Name of Jesus Church, 3240 Livingston St. SF. 1-3 pm, \$3. Info/fes: 665-9526 after 6 pm.

Bayaninhan Philippine Dance Co. colorful ballet, drama, primitive tribal rites & traditional folk arts of Arabic, Malayan,

Chinese & Spanish origins; performed to music of bamboo instruments, nose flute, brass gongs, drums & zither. 2 pm, \$10.50-116.50. Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley. Info: Cal Performances 642-9988.

FOG Game Afternoon: join Fraternal Order of Gays for an afternoon of board & card games. Have a great time, meet new friends! 2 pm, 304 Gold Mine Dr. SF. Info: 641-0999.

Cleve Jones, founder of the NAMES Project, talks about the project's impact & what plans are being made for its future at today's G. Forry Plus Mtg, 2-4 pm, First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin St. at Geary. SF. Info: 552-1997.

Cathi Walkup at the Eye & Ear Gallery of the Coffee Mill, 3363 Grand Ave, Oakl. 2-4 pm, \$5. Backup provided by Mark Zannini. Info: 465-4224.

Sightlines Series **Curtain Talk** with Lucretia Reyes Urtula (choreographer & dance director) & Isabel A Santos (company & costume director) of Bayaninhan Philippine Dance Company. 4 pm, free (program follows the Company's 2 pm performance). Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley.

Know Any "Ex-Lesbians"? See 1/3.

New Albion Brass Quintet presents "There'll Always Be An England" at Castilleja School, Bryant & Embarcadero, Palo Alto. Works by Epstein, Britten, Grainger, Horowitz & Orlandu. 7 pm, \$7 genl, \$5 stdnts & srs. Info: 547-7569.

Coming In: a support system for being out as lesbians. Why support group offers a safe place to stimulate, sustain & promote your personal power & quality of life as a lesbian. 8 pm, \$5. No one turned away for lack of funds. Berkeley-Albany Ctr, 2126 6th St at Alton & University. Info: Esther Orli 541-4911, Barbara Zoloth 457-9740.

Jewish Men & Women during the Northern Calif Gold Rush Era, 1848-1879; a lecture by Shirley Kadden of Judah L. Magnes Museum. 8 pm, free. Sha'ar Zahav, 220 Danvers at Cassell, SF. Info: 861-6932.

Homeopathy As A Career: Peggy Chantler, RN, FNP, discusses career opportunities in homeopathy at University YWCA's Turning Point Career Ctr, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Noon-1 pm, \$2. Info: 848-6370.

20 WEDNESDAY

Heartseaver CPR Class at Mt Zion Hospital, 1600 Divisadero St. SF. 6-9:30 pm, free. Info/fes: 468-1568.

Women of Power Slideshow presented by Max Dashi at ClairLight Women's Books, 1110 Petaluma Hill Rd. -5, Santa Rosa. Info: (707) 575-8879. CC available with 2-day adv res.

Lake Merced/Boathouse Run with SF Frontrunners. Meet 10 am at Boathouse for level 4 mile run around Lake Merced. Info: 647-3227, 337-8704.

Sunday's Women Service with priestess elder Morning Glory Zell. Come meet this exciting storyteller & historian, plus see her n'l collection of statues of the Goddess. 11:30 am-1:30 pm, \$5-7 donation, Montclair Women's Club, 1650 Mountain Blvd at Thornhill, Oakl.

Acting Our Age & Silver Into Gold return to Berkeley's UC Theater—see 1/10.

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19 TUESDAY

Options Open House for Women: Options for Women over Forty invites women to an open house at Options Center. Enjoy refreshments & good company. Special guest Ann Singer, SF OWL board member & past president. 5-7 pm, free. Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. SF. Info: 431-6405.

Organizing Mtg against the LaRouche & the Gann-Dannemyer-Docile AIDS Initiatives: 7 pm at Calif Teachers Assoc, corner of Guerneville & Fulton Roads, Santa Rosa. Info: Adam Richmond (707) 579-9347.

Dinner out with FOG: today's the deadline to make your reservations! See 1/22.

Southbay SOL (Slightly Older Lesbians) meet 7-9 pm at Billy DeFrank Ctr, 1040 Park Ave, San Jose. Topic: A Different Approach to Spirituality. Guest speaker Carol Newhouse. Newcomers welcome.

Preventative Law—Workshop on Wills: find out how to protect your relationships & your assets. Avoid probate & taxes. 7-9 pm, \$15. Res/info: Linda M Scaparotti, Attorney at Law, 268-8404. Workshop repeats on 1/21.

BWMT AIDS Awareness Mtg focuses on people of color issues surrounding AIDS. All welcome. 7:30 pm, 630 Fillmore -201, SF. Info: 431-8333.

Performance Art Workshop with Claire Blotter: 8-wk course for actors, vocalists, musicians, dancers, writers, video & performance artists & anyone who wants to write & perform their own material. Focus on using rhythm to access the rich sym-

bolic material of the unconscious mind. Non-linear multimedia approach. 7:30-10:30 pm, \$95-115. The Lab, 1805 Divisadero St. SF. Info/fes: 868-2644.

Good & Evil: Phipps Genies & Nazi Perpetrators—Fred Rosenbaum reports on 2 events he covered as a journalist—the campaign & election of Austrian president Kurt Waldheim & the trial of Klaus Barbie, former head of the Gestapo in Lyons. Also Odette Myers, rescued as a child by non-Jews in Paris, screens the award-winning film *Courage to Care*, & discusses the roots of altruistic behavior during the Holocaust. An evening mini-course offered by Lahnhaus Judaica, 1/19-21, 7:30-9 pm, 2736 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Info: 845-7793.

Gay/Lesbian Serrans Monthly Mtg. Topic: "Environment Under Fire in Central America". 7:30 pm, free. Socializing & refreshments. WA. SIGN available for hearing impaired, call in advance (TDD 776-8107), 730 Polk St. at Ellis, SF.

New Albion Brass Quintet program, "There'll Always Be An England", at First Unitarian Church, Franklin & Geary. SF. 8 pm. Program: Epstein's "Albion Moonlight"; Britten's "Simpe Symphony" and "Prelude & Epilogue from Serenade"; Grainger's "Music from Lincolnshire Posy"; Horowitz's "Musical Hall Suite"; Orlandu's "3 Madrigals from the Triumphs of Oriana". Guest artists: Featherlight, Mirre. Ticket: \$7 genl, \$5 stdnts & srs. Info: 547-7569.

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22 FRIDAY

TGIF with Bay Area Career Women, see 1/8.

Dinner out with FOG: join Fraternal Order of Gays for an evening of enjoying new friends & a fine meal at a local restaurant. 7 pm. For info/fes, call 641-0999 by 1/19.

Peace-making & Spirituality: workshop with Stephan Marks explores the possibility of being spiritual in the world while protesting, while meditating, while acting, while asking tough questions concerning powerlessness & cynicism. 7:10 pm tonight, 9:30 am-5:30 pm tmw. \$90. Info/fes: Calif Institute of Integral Studies 753-6100.

Contemporary Women Artists' Work & Issues: a slide presentation by Joanna Katz of the Northern California Women's Caucus for Art. Spons by Options for Women Over 40. 7 pm, free. SF Community College, 33 Gough St. SF. Info: 431-6405.

Women's Wheelchair Basketball Benefit Exhibition Game: Bay Area Meteorites vs Hand to Hand Self Defense Center AB's. 7 pm, James Kenney Gym, 8 & Virginia, Berkeley. Donation at door. Raffle, refreshments, halftime show. Kids welcome. WA. Info: 849-4663.

An Eye with Arthur Young: one of the nation's eminent inventors & pioneers of integrative paradigms. 7:30 pm, \$8, \$6 stdnts & srs. Calif Institute of Integral Studies, 765 Ashbury St. SF. Info: 753-6100.

"The Reflexive Universe," with Arthur Young. In-depth intro to Young's integrative cosmological vision. 7:30-9:30 pm tonight, 9:30 am-5:30 pm tmw. \$80. Info/fes: Calif Institute of Integral Studies 753-6100.

BWMT Rap Eastbay: "Anthropological Study of Homosexuality". 7:30 pm, 3135 Courtland, Oakl. Info: 261-7922.

Awakening Angel Awareness: a class led by Suzanne Judith. 7:30-8:30 pm, free at Bright Pathways, 2816 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Get acquainted with the angels—are they ever-present guardians, messengers from heaven, departed souls, spirit guides, higher powers? Come find out.

Church of the Secret Gospel mtg. 8 pm. See 1/1.

A Bee On The Beach: dance performance with Sha Sha Higby, see 1/15.

Monica Grant at Artemis: original folk rock & R&B. 9:30 am-5 pm, info/fes: Bill Folk, MFCC 621-5413; Dave Cooperberg, MFCC 431-3220.

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Self-Defense Classes for Kids & Adolescents, spon by UCSF Rape Prevention Education Program. Today's class is for children ages 8-10. 10:30 am-2 pm, \$15. Marilyn Reed Lucia Child Care

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23 SATURDAY

All-Day Benefit for Pets Are Wonderful Support for People with AIDS/ARC. 1-5 pm at the Motherlode, 1002 Post St at Larkin, SF. Discount tickets for a gift of pet food or supplies. Raffle, 1-5 pm, meet with PAWS volunteers & see pets available for adoption. Info: 928-6006.

BWMT 1990 Convention Kick-Off Potluck: 1-3 pm, MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St. SF. Info: 863-0925, 931-BWMT.

Investment Workshop: learn about CDs, money market accounts, T-bonds, T-bills, mutual funds & stocks, bond funds & bonds, real estate, speculative investments (futures, options, precious metals). 1-4 pm, \$35-50 SL. UCSF's Toland Hall. To register call UCSF Women's Resource Ctr, 476-5836.

Italian Dinner Party spon by Girth & Mirth Club. New SF location. 7-8 pm cocktails, 8 pm dinner. Advance reservations necessary. Estimated cost: \$10. Info/fes: Art or Mirt 334-5971, Tony or Cliff 820-2597 or the Hot Line: 552-1143.

Gourmet Vegetarian Potluck for lesbians & gays who enjoy cooking. 7 pm, SF location. Share your favorite veggie dish, meet new people in a relaxed, smoke-free social setting. RSVP Nikos 775-6143, 11 am-11 pm.

Phelic Fellowship: see 1/2 for details.

FOG Game Fest: night of board & card games, refreshments & snacks, fun & good company with Fraternal Order of Gays. 304 Gold Mine Dr. SF. \$5. Info: 641-0999.

A Bee On The Beach: dance performance with Sha Sha Higby. See 1/15.

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KTAC Cross Country Ski Club goes back to the Incline condo for another great weekend. All levels of skiers welcome. Info: 885-3374.

GLOE Potluck: Gay & Lesbian Outreach for Elders program features slideshow on Gay/Lesbian Sierrans, shown by Pam LoPinto. Noon-2 pm at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St. SF. Bring dish to share. Info: 626-1000.

Women Embodied Workshop: learn reverence for the rare creature you are. Use your emotions as sacred tools, making your path to higher states of consciousness & health clearer. Avenues used include sound & breathwork, rebirthing, channeling. No experience needed, only desire for deeper peace, healing & self awareness. 12-5 pm, \$50-80 SL. Info: 524-8815.

24 SUNDAY

Tour of Exotic Bromeliad Nursery in Concord, sponed by Hortiphiles, a group for lesbians & gays who enjoy growing plants. Info: Henrietta 792-6627 or Geoff 325-7212.

Workshop: An Angel Gathering— experience these divine presences thru guided imagery, meditation, prayer, inspirational music, spiritual sharing, creative visualization, candlelight ceremony, joyous laughter. Led by Suzanne Jerod. 2-5 pm, \$30 adv, \$35 at door. Bright Pathways, 2816 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: 848-7287.

A Time of Protest: Sulligrass Challenge The *Red Book*— Sally Rosch Wagner reads from her book on revisionist history. 5 pm, free. Info: (707) 575-8879.

All-Day Benefit for Pets are Wonderful Support for People with AIDS/SARC. The Motherlode, 1002 Post St at Larkin, SF. Discount on drinks for a gift of pet food or supplies. Meet with PAWS volunteers & discuss possible adoption of a pet that belonged to a person with AIDS/SARC. Special benefit show for PAWS at 6 pm. Info: 928-6006.

Questionable Talent Show & Post-Holiday Foodraiser put on by the SF AIDS Foundation to honor its volunteers & add to the Food Bank. An eve of fun, laughs, & an old-fashioned talent show at the Waterfront Theater, Ghirardelli Square, SF. Admission price: donation of groceries. For time & other info: 864-4376.

Women & Spirituality— Deepening the Search: women's group provides support on each woman's unique spiritual journey, heals old wounds, gives voice to the Goddess within. 8-wks, \$5-20, 7-9 pm. Pacific Ctr., 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Facilitated by Nelly Kauter. Info/pre-reg: 536-3922.

Beach Party in January! With SF Band Foundation—join them as they host a special performance of *Beach Blanket Babylon Goes Around the World*. An unforgettable evening of music, dance & military madness at Club Fugaz, 678 Green St. SF. 7:30 pm, \$25. TX deadline 1/4. Funds raised benefit the SF Band Fdn Gen'l Fund. Info: 621-5619 or mail checks payable to the SF Band Foundation, 1519 Mission St, SF 94103.

Women to Women Benefit Concert: proceeds benefit Women's Legal Office in Leon, Nicaragua. An eclectic/electric eve of pop, folk & Latin American New Song with Deirdre McCalla, Lichi Fuentes, with Naomi True, Vanessa Whang, Dulce Arguelles, Peggy Watson & Jennifer Berzans. 7:30 pm, \$5-8 SL. La Pena Cultural Ctr, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Sponed by Woman to Woman Campaign.

Buckhorn Reservoir Site Hike with Gay/Lesbian Sierrans. Sierra Club is challenging East Bay M.U.D. & developers who want to dam the site. Come see the area. Meet 9 am at Church/Market. Pay 'n Save or at 10 am at the Park, where Camino Pablo dead-ends South of Moraga. Call Bob Edwards 387-8453 to arrange East Bay carpool.

Self-Defense for Women In Wheelchairs: workshop at Hand to Hand, 5680 San Pablo Ave (nr Stanford Ave), Oakland. 10 am-1 pm, \$15-25 SL. Pre-reg required. Info: Hand to Hand 428-0502.

PI Point Run with SF Frontrunners: meet 10 am at PI Point for flat waterfront run to Marina Sausalito & back, about 4-5 miles. Info: 647-3227, 337-8704.

Dealing with Anger & Aggression: Jewish Ethical & Mystical Perspectives vs Contemporary Psychological Ethics—course taught by Estelle Frankel, MS, MFCO. While Judaism shares certain values in common with psychoanalytic & humanistic approaches to psychotherapy, on the subject of anger & aggression the traditions appear to be in deep conflict (ethical & mystical teachings of Judaism repeatedly discourage the expression of anger, most psychotherapy encourages

it). Class will study the source material that reflects this contradiction, seeking to arrive at an integrative perspective incorporating truths in both ethics. 10:30 am-1:30 pm, \$15. Lehnhaus Judaica, 2736 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Info/res: 845-7793.

AIDS Action Pledge Fundraising March to Burroughs-Wellcome West Coast Distribution Ctr in Burlingame (15 miles from Castro & Market). Contact number: 821-9087. AIDS Action Pledge seeks to mobilize a committed force to fight for massive funding, federal education programs, centrally coordinated research & a fully-funded nat'l healthcare program.

Acting Our Age & Silver Into Gold return to Berkeley's UC Theater—see 1/10.

Basic Recordkeeping & Tax Information for Self-Employed People: a 1-day seminar taught by Jan Zobel, E.A. 6:00. Sponed by Nolo Press. Berkeley location. Info: Nolo 337-2782.

25 MONDAY

AIDS Action Pledge Demo & Civil Disobedience in front of Burroughs-Wellcome West Coast Distribution Ctr, 1760 Rollins Rd, Burlingame. Contact number: 821-9087. AIDS Action Pledge seeks to mobilize a committed force to fight for massive funding, a federal education program, centrally coordinated research & a fully-funded healthcare program.

Kol Isha: Women Finding Our Jewish Voices. 6-session class explores tradition & change in Jewish women's roles, how various branches of Judaism view women's rights & responsibilities around reproduction, marriage & divorce, etc. Also discuss new ways to celebrate Jewish life & community. \$36. Led by Carol Delton at SF Jewish Community Ctr, 3200 California St. Info: 346-6040.

John Swallow reads from her book *Leave A Light On For Me*, as well as from a work in progress. Booksigning follows. 7:30-8:15 pm, The Love That Dares Bookshop, 506 Castro St. SF. Info: 552-5110.

Danny DePrave Live: the heartwarming story of a chubby male stripper. Raunch & sleaze are back! Don't miss this outrageous club act from NYC at Lipps Underground Cabaret, Howard & 9th Sts. SF. 8:30 pm, \$5.

26 TUESDAY

Hopi: Songs of the 4th World, compelling film study of the Hopi that captures their deep spirituality & integration of art & daily life, and *Hearts & Hands*, a social history of 19th century women & quilts. At the Red Vic Movie House, 1659 Haight St. SF. 1:26-27. Showtimes: 2:15, 7:15 & 9:30 pm. Info: 863-3939.

Radical Women Mtg commemorates the 15th anniversary of Roe v. Wade with a review of the current status of abortion rights, including MediCal funding, the recently passed parental/judicial consent law & evaluation of local events celebrating Roe v. Wade. 6:45 pm dinner (donation requested), 7:30 pm mtg. 523-A Valencia (nr 18th). SF. Info: 864-1278.

Southbay SOL (Slightly Older Lesbians) meets 7-9 pm, Billy DeFrank Ctr, 1040 Park Ave (bet Race & Lincoln), San Jose. Tonight's program: Sex-Toy Party—a rep from Good Vibrations Vibrator Store hawks her wares—don't miss! Newcomers welcome.

Ojos Que No Ven (Eyes That Fail To See). Produced by SF's Latino AIDS Project, educational film in the format of a Latin American "telenovela" deals with AIDS from a Latino perspective. 7:30 pm, \$3-5. Benefit for Latino AIDS Project. La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: 849-2568.

Coming in: a support system for being out as lesbians—a group meets at 8 pm. See 1/19 for details.

Employment Opportunities at Metropolitan/Century 21 Insurance Services: Edward Edelman, branch manager, discusses career opportunities at University YWCA's Turning Point Career Ctr, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Noon-1 pm, \$2. Info: 848-6370.

"Violence: What Are the Connections?," and *Hearts & Hands* at the Red Vic—see 1/26.

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Wed, 5:30-7 pm in Pacific Heights. SF. Demo class on 1/13.

Improving Self-Esteem—group led by Adrian Bruce Tiller, MEd, see 1/13.

Heartaver CPR Class at St Luke's Hospital, 3555 Army St. SF. 6-9:30 pm, \$5. Info/res: 641-6605.

Living in a Female Body: holistic counselor & author Joy Gardner discusses how women are affected by our rites of passage—menstruation, pregnancy, childbirth, abortion, breast development & more. 7 pm, 4A. Women only. Marna Bears, 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakland. Info: 428-9684.

Intro to Tax Resistance for Women: workshop at A Woman's Place Bookstore, 4015 Broadway, Oakland. 7-9 pm.

A Magic Summer Remembered: Author Samuel Steward (aka Phil Anderson) speaks on his long friendship with Gertrude Stein & Alice B Toklas, his long acquaintance with Lord Alfred Douglas, Andre Gide & other European gay literary scene figures. Refreshments provided. 7:30 pm, \$5. University YWCA (Y-House), 2600 Bancroft Way, across from UC Berkeley. Sponed by UCCALA Div of Calif Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc. Info: 547-2200.

Education in Cuba: slideshow focuses on primary & secondary education in Cuba, presented by teachers who participated in the recent Teachers' Tour to Cuba. They share their experiences & answer questions at Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. SF. 7:30 pm, donation. Info: 282-9246.

Michael Hanson & Richard Rawles read their poetry upstairs at Cody's, 2454 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. 8 pm. Info: 845-9033.

Neurologist/Author Dr Oliver Sacks (*Migraine, Awakenings, The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat, A Leg to Stand On*), acclaimed for his extraordinary compassion in treating patients afflicted by profound neurological disorders, speaks as part of City Arts & Lectures' "On Art & Politics" lecture series. 8 pm at Herbst Theatre. SF. Tix \$13.50, proceeds benefit the Women's Foundation. Info: 552-3656.

28 THURSDAY

Old US Mint Tour with FOG: join Fraternal Order of Gays for a tour of the Old US Mint, 5th & Mission Sts. SF. Includes film & museum exhibits. 1 pm. Info: 641-0999.

Help Battered Women Help Themselves: WOMAN, Inc offers crisis line & counseling services, walk-in center, legal clinic, lesbian services, information & referrals. Become a volunteer & learn crisis intervention & counseling skills. Training offered tonight & 1/30-31. Women with daytime availability especially needed. Info: Jeanie 864-4777.

Vampires in Havana: wild & satiric animated film (Cuba, 1985). *Peplito*, here is this zany feature set in 30s Havana, plays a mean jazz trumpet (done by Arturo Sandoval, the Dizzy Gillespie of Cuba), but is secretly a revolutionary terrorist, doing his part by sleeping with the fascist's wife. However, he doesn't know that he's the grandson of Count Dracula, son of the vampire scientist who plans to give away his new vampire sultan lotion. Old-world European vampires & US gangster-vampires have their own plans for his invention, & they converge in a mad free-for-all on the streets of Havana. Film shows 1/28-31 at the new York Theater, 2789 24th St. Bryant & Potrero, SF. Thurs & Fri: 7:15 & 9:15 pm; Sat & Sun: 1:35, 7:15 & 9:15 pm. Info: 282-0316.

Nicaraguan Response to AIDS: Nicaragua AIDS Project presents discussion with Bay Area healthworkers & social workers who attended the Nov 1987 Health Colloquium in Managua, Nicaragua. Find out how this nation under siege is facing AIDS. 7:30 pm, donation. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. SF. Info: 282-9246.

BWMT Rap: AIDS Task Force—"Grief & Loss": 7:30 pm, 1350 Weller St. SF. Info: 931-BWMT.

Women's Action on Tax Refusal gives an intro to the whys & wherefores of feminist tax resistance. 7:30 pm, donation. Info: 931-BWMT.

Intro! Women's Day Video Festival: clips from 40 programs by women in the US, including pieces on pregnancy, education, rape, war, arts, etc. 8 pm, PCTV Network, cable channels 47 in Oakland, 29 in Berkeley, 59 in Alameda.

"Electric City" monthly gay/lesbian TV magazine airs at 9 pm on SF cable channels 6. Interviews, entertainment, community events, surprises, discussions. Screenings in SF at Maud's & Peg's Place.

29 FRIDAY

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"Zen & the Rediscovery of the Obvious": workshop with Douglas Harding,

designed to provide effective tools for answering the question, "Who am I?" with Zen-like immediacy while also honoring the scientific method of observation & experimentation. 7-10 pm tonight, 9:30 am-5 pm trw. \$80. Info/res: Calif Institute of Integral Studies 753-6100.

Vampires in Havana: see 1/28.

"Focusing: An Integrative Process of Change": workshop with John Wood uses a proven method for untangling life problems, emotional blockages & stressful situations thru tapping the innate wisdom of the body/mind. 7-10 pm tonight, 9:30 am-5:30 pm trw. \$80. Info/res: Calif Institute of Integral Studies 753-6100.

Rent Party! to benefit the new offices of AIDS Alternative Healing Project. Misha Cohen reviews presentations made at the World Congress of Acupuncture & Natural Medicine, held in China in 11/87. Also slide tour of Beijing, & discussion of upcoming programs of the AIDS Alternative Healing Project. Chinese shadow puppet show by Betty Polus. 7:30-10 pm, \$5-10 SL. No one turned away for lack of funds. Donations of money, furniture or office supplies greatly appreciated. Info: 558-9292.

The Rosen Method of Bodywork: lecture demo by Mary Kay Wright-Makler & Dana Sloat. Highlights the Rosen method with its focus on releasing muscular tension & integrating emotional experience. 7:30 pm, \$8 gen'l, \$6 students & srns. Info/res: Calif Institute of Integral Studies. Info: 753-6100.

FOG Game Feet at 8 pm, 304 Gold Mine Dr. SF. Cozy, fun night, board & card games with Fraternal Order of Gays. Refreshments & snacks served. Info: 641-0999.

Church of the Secret Gospel meets at 8 pm, see 1/1.

A Bee On The Beach: dance performance with Sha Sha Higby. See 1/15.

Author Judy Grahn reads from her new book *The Queen of Swords*, a humorous, passionate recreation of the descent of Inanna, brought to a modern urban lesbian setting. Grahn also reads from a soon-to-be-published novel. Benefit for Women's Voices, an organization offering workshops for women writers. 8 pm, \$10. Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF. WA. CC. Singer Lisa Cohen at Marna Bears, 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakland. 8 pm, \$5-7. Women only. Info: 428-9246.

World Beat Dance Concert with *The Beat Beats* plus *The Present*. High-energy dance music with traditional & contemporary African roots. 9 pm, \$5. La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: 849-2568.

Women in Addictive Relationships: How to Break the Cycle—workshop with Enid B Young. Focus on women in unhealthy relationships, how to break the co-dependent cycle of relationship addiction. Ms Young is a Bay Area therapist & author of *Co-Dependency As A Disease*. Today thru 1/31 at Phoenix Inn, SF. Class size limited. Info/res: 776-1380.

Rock at Firehouse 7 with Typhoon & Sharkbat. 10 pm, \$4. 3160 16th St. SF. Info: 621-1617.

Testing the Limits: see 1/4.

SF. Info/res: 622-5553.

Vampires in Havana: see 1/28.

Politics of the Heart: Sandra Pollack & Jean Vaughan, editors of this anthology on lesbian parenting, speak at A Woman's Place Bookstore, 4015 Broadway Ave, Oakland. 3 pm.

GGBA Installation: Golden Gate Business Association's annual installation of officers at Bimbo's 365 Club, 1025 Columbus Ave. SF. 6 pm president's reception. 7 pm buffet dinner. Dancin'. Entertainment by vocalists Semantha Serruells. Special guest William R. Rasmussen, editor & publisher of SF Examiner. Tix \$40. Res/info: 956-8677.

Lesbian Games Party! See 1/2.

Southbay SOL (Slightly Older Lesbians) Potluck Social at Madelon's in San Jose. 7 pm. For directions/info: (408) 272-3279. All welcome.

BWMT Social Mixer: 7:30-10:30 pm, \$3 donation. Non-alcoholic refreshments. MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St. SF. Info: 931-BWMT.

Phelic Fellowship in the best of south-of-market tradition. See 1/2.

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Gretchen Koch blends guitar, piano & percussion into a sensual flow of fine music at Artemis Cafe, 1199 Valencia St. SF. 8 pm, \$4-6 SL. Info: 821-0232.

Fabulous Jazz & Blues with Mimi Fox at Marna Bears. 8 pm, \$5-7. Women only. 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakland. Info: 428-9684.

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31 SUNDAY

Jewish Folk Chorus Concert: annual mid-winter concert at SF Jewish Community Ctr, 3200 California St. SF. 2 pm. Info: 346-6048.

Tea Dance & Social for Lesbians (60+) & Friends: music, dancing, games & refreshments—lots of fun! Sponed by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders). 2-5 pm, donations appreciated. 30th Street Senior Center, 225 30th St. SF. Info: 626-7000.

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"Dykes on Bikes" Slideshow at Ollie's: meet your sisters who love the outdoors & plan trips—Gay/Lesbian Sierrans, Lost Coast Lemmas, Wilderness Women, Mariah Expeditions, etc. Non-alcoholic drinks available. All must have ID, be over 21. 4 pm, free. Dancing at 6 pm. Women of color especially welcome. 4130 Telegraph Ave, Oakland. Info: Mary King 236-2783.

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Bodybuilding Seminar Training! Poising Part of Physique '88 Bodybuilding Seminar series. Open to men & women athletes, bodybuilding trainers & enthusiasts. 6:30-8:30 at City Athletic Club, 2500 Market St (just above Castro). SF. \$5 donation. Info: 431-6254.

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Crystal Springs Reservoir: Run with SF Frontrunners: meet at Sausalito parking lot for carpooling, 9 am. Take Black Mt exit off 280 & meet at entrance of reservoir. Any distance up to 12 miles. Info: 647-3227, 337-8704.

Mission Peak, Fremont Hike with Gay/Lesbian Sierrans. Lengthy, rigorous hike, aerobic climbing ability a must! Hike from Chokone College in Fremont to the top of Mission Peak, see expansive Bay Area views. Bring lunch, liquids. Heavy rain cancels. Hike limited to 20 people. Info/res: Christopher Alexander 538-9683. No safety carpool for this one.

SF Hiking Club 5th Annual Day Hike to tallest hills, ending in Glen Canyon. Meet 9:45 am, Harvey Milk Plaza, SW corner of Market & Castro, SF. Cost/person: 75 cents, or Fast Pass for return trip. Approx 5 miles, ascent of about 700 feet at the beginning, no long ascents after, though hike is over rolling terrain. Ends about 3 pm. Heavy or steady rain cancels hike. Wear comfortable, good-gripping shoes.

Lesbian Buddhist Gathering: sitting, walking & discussion groups (past topics included sexuality & spirituality, relationships, grief, addiction recovery, info for women new to practice, & more. 9:45 am-4:30 pm. Bring bag lunch, cushion. SF Zen Center, 300 Page St. SF. Info: Mignon 835-9521.

AIDS Healing Alliance Workshop meets noon-4 pm, 4818 25th St. SF. Today's topic: "Healing Yourself Through Transformation Breathwork", led by Brian Silva. Experience yourself as your own healer. Info: Jim Cox 824-2016.

ONSTAGE

Quilables, world premiere of a Sometime Comedy by Leland Moss. Theatre Rhino production. Previews 1/13-15; runs 1/16-21. Wed-Sun, 8pm; Sun matinees 1/31, 2/7 & 14 at 3pm; \$10/weeknights & matinees, \$12/weekends (Fri & Sat), 29x26 16th St. SF. Info/res: 861-5079.

Bad Seed, a horror melodrama by Maxwell Anderson. Returns, 1/8-26, 8:30pm; Sun matinees 1/10 & 1/17, 2:30pm; 10 pm. Closing night gala 2/6 to benefit Coming Home House. \$15. Theatre Rhino, 2926 16th St. SF. Info/res: 861-5079.

A Day Like Any Other by Dana Fo. Comedy in which a woman preparing to kill her husband finds that her phone number has been mistakenly listed as a suicide prevention line. Eureka Theatre Co/SuSF production. 1/13-27, 8pm, 1/14-20, 7:30 pm SL. SF. Info/res: 558-9898.

Breed and Puppet Theatre, a larger-than-life puppet company from Vermont, performs pieces using ancient folk traditions that offer political analysis and entertainment. 1/20-24 and 27-31, 8:30pm, \$10/Wed, \$12/Thur & Sun, \$14/Fri & Sat. Victoria Theatre, 2961 16th St. SF. Info/res: 621-7737.

John O'Keefe: a new blend of SF acrobats/playwrights O'Keefe's poetry and violence, earthy humor and sensual immediacy. 1/13-17, 8:30pm, \$10/Wed.

\$12/Thur & Sun, \$14/Fri & Sat. Life on the Water, Fort Mason Ctr, SF. Info/res: 621-7797.

The Meeting by Jeff Stetson. An imaginative ideological wrestling match between two warriors of the Civil Rights movement. Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 1/15-22, Thurs-Sat at 8pm, Sun at 2:30pm; \$10-14. Oakland Ensemble Theatre, Alice Arts Ctr, 1428 Alice St, Oakland. Info/res: 839-5510.

Can You See Me Yet? by Timothy Findley. Set in 1938, this drama reveals a young missionary's search for sanctuary—a search that leads her to an insane asylum. 1/29-2/21, Fri-Sun, 8pm, \$9. Admission Stage Co, 11111 Admission, Berk. Info/res: 548-7603.

Conversations of My Mothers by Micki Goldthorpe. A collage of the lives of women, spanning the years 1895 and 1999, who exist in their own time and space, and meet in scenes that bring them into the same reality. 1/17-21, Thurs-Sat at 8pm, Sun at 3pm, \$2-10. The Julian Theatre, 777 Valencia, SF. Info/res: 647-8098.

Happy Days by Samuel Beckett. Husband and wife, Winnie and Willie, inexplicably find themselves living outside surrounded by a centre of earth with "scorched grass rising around to low ground."

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terswert comedy about a shy teenager who dreams of becoming a famous magician. Contact A.C.T. for performance times and dates: 99-27 450 Geary. SF. Info: 625-6440.

American Juke Box, a musical pyrotechnic celebrating the greatest hits of the '50s and '60s. Previews 1/26-2/2 (6:10-12), runs 2/3-3/13. Tues-Fri at 8pm. Sat at 6:30 & 9:30pm. Wed & Sun matinees at 2:30pm. \$12-22. Theatre On The Square, 450 Post Floor 2. SF. Info: 433-9300.

Cherishes by Ron Miner. The Ebony generation meets the Essence generation—compelling comedy/drama contrasts the lifestyles of two Black couples from different eras whose lives intersect in the duplex they share. A look at the pressures that careers, racism, sexism & sexuality bring on contemporary marriage. SEW/Lorraine Harsbury Theatre and "Y" Not production. Runs 1/21-1/10. 8 pm Tues-Fri; 2:30 & 8 pm Sat & Sun. Waterfront Theater, Polk & Beach Sts. SF. Tix: \$15-25. Info: 865-2929.

Voyages by Kim McMillan. Contemporary play on reincarnation. Using monologues, dialogues, music & dance, play chronicles a soul's journey thru past lives. Black Repertory Group production. Runs 8 pm Tues-Sat. 2:30 pm Sat. Thru 2/6. Black Repertory Community Cultural Arts Ctr. 3201 Adeline St. Berkeley. Tix: \$8 Thurs-Sat eves. \$4 Sat matinee. Info: 652-2730.

Lily Tomlin in "The Search for Intelligent Signs of Life in the Universe," written by Jane Wagner. Tomlin's hit show plays the Curran Theatre thru 2/21. Info: 243-9301

Mama Rigans in Person by Philip-Dimit Galas. SF's favorite intellectual burlesque queen returns 1/21 benefit for AIDS charities, runs thru 2/14. Thurs-Sat at 8pm. Late show Sat at 10pm, additional show 2/14. 59-11. Climate, 252 9th St. SF. Info: 626-9196.

GALLERIES

Victor Aronson's photography on display in an exhibit entitled "Immagine," 1/12-25, reception 1/16 from 6-7pm. My Place, 1225. Folsom, SF.

Nina Smith, Abstract Paintings 1/19-2/12, reception 1/19 from 6-8pm. William Sawyer Gallery, 3045 Clay St. SF. Info: 921-1600.

From Behind Prison Walls, Art of Puerto Rican Patriots, at Galeria de la Raza 2/6-2/27, 1-6pm Tues-Sat. 2851 24th St. SF. Info: 626-8005.

Free Photographs introduces provocative fine art at West Whitman Bookshop, 1/1-2/1, reception 1/2 from 1-4pm. 2319 Market, SF. 10am-10pm Mon-Thurs, 10am-midnight Fri & Sat. 10am-6pm Sun. Info: 285-0205.

Michael Acler: Sculptures at Intersection Gallery, 766 Valencia, SF. 1/6-25, reception 1/6 from 5:30-7:30pm. Hours: 10am-5pm Tues-Fri, noon-4:30pm Sat. Info: 626-ARIS.

Paper: selected works by Bay Area artists. 1/12-2/13, Tues-Sat 11am-6pm or by appointment.

Patricia Stroud (sculpture). Thru 1/9 His: Tues-Sat, 11 am-6 pm. 541 Hayes St. SF. Info: 863-8144.

MI DeYoung Museum Exhibits: "Viewpoints: It: The Peaceable Kingdom", thru 1/31. Also High Holiday Concerts, every Sat at noon thru 12/19 free. Museum Hours: Wed-Sun 10 am-4:45 pm. Info: 750-3614.

California Patriots of the Legion of Honor: "Cheats Prints & Drawings on the Subject of Drinking", thru 1/31. "Persistent Vision: Works on Paper by Wesley Chambliss & Roy Regal", thru 2/8. His: Wed-Sun 10 am-4:45 pm. Info: 750-3614. For details on lecture tour program: 750-3638. Pipe organ concerts every Sat & Sun at 4 pm. Free—after the usual admission fee.

Judith L. Riggs Museum: "The Karaites," ceremonial objects and manuscripts from this little-known Jewish community since 800 C.E., 1/24-4/10 2911 Russell St. Berkeley. Hours: Sun-Thurs, 10 am-4 pm. Info: 849-2710.

RESOURCE GUIDE

AIDS RESOURCES

New Friends: a group made up of people with AIDS who help those who have been newly diagnosed. Info: Larry Paradis 928-5352.

Women's Support Group: open to any women diagnosed with AIDS. Provides positive environment in which to share difficult personal issues. Info: Shanti Project 777-CAFE.

Youth & Children's Groups: ongoing support for those diagnosed with AIDS & children of people with AIDS. Divided by age categories—7-11 & 12-17. Info: Shanti Project 777-CAFE.

Drugs & Alcohol/AIDS Support Group: for men with AIDS or ARC, or who test HIV positive & have an alcohol or drug problem. Also open to their lovers & friends or anyone in recovery who has concerns around AIDS. Sat 10:30 am-12:30 pm. 18th St. Services, 2152-B Market St. (bet Church & Sanchez). SF. Free, no apct necessary. This is a new group, for info call 861-4898.

Gay Support Group for people with AIDS/ARC/HIV + and alcohol substance abuse. Individual & group process. Oper-

ation Concern's Operation Recovery, 1853 Market St. SF. Info: 626-7000.

BWIT AIDS Task Force deals with people of color, minority & third world issues surrounding AIDS. All welcome. Info: 630 Fillmore #201, SF 94117, 431-8333.

Black AIDS Support Network: emotional support for persons with AIDS or ARC & their loved ones, preventive education, speakers bureau, telephone info. Emotional support volunteers needed. Training provided. Info: 457-AIDS.

The AIDS Screening Clinic at District Health Ctr #2, 1301 Pine Str. Ellis, SF. Call for appt: 621-4658.

Free Chiropractic Clinic for people w/AIDS. For appt/info: 282-4622, 9 am-3 pm.

Yoga Class for persons with AIDS & ARC. Teacher is PWA & yoga student who worked with BKS Iyengar in India on therapeutic application of yoga postures for him. Fri 4-5:30 pm. SL. Mission location. Info: 863-7212.

SF Kaiser Permanente Med Ctr has AIDS-related groups that focus on gay health. Call 929-5204.

Comprehensive AIDS Info Network (CAIN), a 24 hr. nationwide, up-to-date information service based in Cambridge, MA. To subscribe, call (800) 544-4005. To list a service, call (213) 464-7400.

AIDS Health Project offers prevention programs; mental health, substance abuse & antibody counseling. AIDS health professional training program & a guide to AIDS Resources. Info: 1855 Folsom St. Ste 506, SF. 476-6430.

Thru World People with AIDS/ARC: meet Mon 6-8 pm in Oakl. Info: AIDS Project of the Eastbay 420-8181.

AIDS Ecumenical Healing Services: held the 1st Mon of every month, sponsored by AIDS Interfaith Network. Info: 928-HOPE.

Positive AIDS Antibody Test Support Group: SF groups for gay & bisexual men who have tested positive. Ongoing, eeky groups limited to 8 people. Daytime & eve groups. \$225 @ sessions, 1/2 hr free consultation. Led by Bill Folk, MFCC. Info: 621-5413.

SF AIDS Foundation provides various educational (support services, such as literature distribution, food bank, hotline & housing). Volunteers & contributions welcome. 333 Valencia St. 4th fl. SF. Info: 864-4376.

Small Project offers emotional, practical & residential support to people with AIDS, their friends, families & loved ones. 525 Howard St. SF. To volunteer as an emotional or practical support counselor (training provided) or for other info: 777-CAFE.

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& group emotional support for persons with AIDS & ARC, their families & significant others. Also info/referrals; case management/coordination & attendant care services. Extensive volunteer activities available. Info: 366-AIDS.

AIDS Interfaith Network offers support & guidance to people with AIDS, their families & loved ones thru hospital ministry, literature distribution, spiritual support, healing teams and prayer. 2261 Market St #502, SF 94114-1693. Info: 928-HOPE.

AIDS Interfaith Support Committee of Sonoma County: persons of any faith tradition welcome (707) 762-0107.

The Center a spiritual resource for persons with AIDS/ARC & their caregivers. Offers individual pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, prayer groups, retreats, spiritual support groups, massage, friendly conversation, monthly calendar of events. Spons by the Missionary Brothers of Charity, 3421 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland 94609. Info: 655-3435.

Central Contra Costa County AIDS Interfaith Network. Every Thurs, 7:30 pm. Diablo Valley MCC, 2253 Concord Blvd, Concord. Info: 827-2960.

SF AIDS Fund provides emergency financial assistance to people with AIDS. 1547 California St. SF. Info/contributions: 441-6407.

SF AIDS Alternative Healing Project: free hotline provides info on alternative approaches to AIDS: referrals to holistic health practitioners, alternative healing support groups, classes, comprehensive alternative program for people diagnosed with AIDS. Info: 558-9292.

Contra Costa AIDS Info: 372-2525.

Support for families, friends & significant others of people with AIDS/ARC in San Mateo County. Safe atmosphere for those personally touched by the AIDS epidemic. 45 Southgate Ave, Daly City 94105. Info: Chris or Naomi 994-3030.

Face to Face/Sonoma County AIDS Network provides counseling & in-home care for people with AIDS & ARC in Sonoma County. Also support groups for people concerned about AIDS, people with AIDS, their lovers, parents & family. Info: Face to Face/Sonoma County AIDS Network, POB 892, Guerneville, CA 95446.

The AIDS/ARC Blood Fund for people with AIDS is available by calling the Harvey Milk Lesbian/Gay Demo Club's Blood Fund Coordinator, 863-6761.

Art Classes for People with AIDS sponsored by Artists for Community Life. Info: 652-5242.

Massage for PWAs: learn gentle touch with Irene Smith. Weekend seminars focus on the importance of touch for people with life-threatening illnesses. Learn how to work with clients in hospitals, use specific touch techniques for pain management & relaxation. Info: Body Electric School of Massage & Rebirthing 653-1594.

Open Hand delivers hot meals to people with AIDS/ARC. Info: Ruth 771-9808.

The Family Link provides housing for friends & family of people with AIDS who are visiting from outside the Bay Area. Info: Ray Cope 346-0770.

"Our Place," "drop-in" living room," for people with AIDS/ARC. Mon-Fri, noon-6 pm, basement of Trinity Episcopal Church, 1668 Bush St. SF. "Clothing Depot" provides free clothing, bedding & kitchen items, donations welcome. 2nd & 4th Wed support group mtg for people with AIDS & ARC. Info: Jim Muligan 663-6045.

Rest Stop: a quiet Oasis for people with AIDS & ARC. Need someone to rest during the day, to meet friends or to talk? Try Rest Stop, 134 Church St. (above El Quake-o Restaurant). SF. 10 am-8 pm Mon-Fri. A ministry of Golden Gate Metropolitan Community Church (MCC). Info: 621-6300, 621-REST.

Free Safe Sex Whop sponsored by SF AIDS Fdn. Focus on helping gay men learn to have exciting safe sex. Info: 863-AIDS.

ARIS Project: emotional, practical wky support groups for people w/AIDS, ARC, HIV pos. & their loved ones. Also volunteer training. Call (408) 370-3272.

San Mateo County Buddies provides support & assistance to people with AIDS & ARC & their friends & family in San Mateo County. For info: AIDS Coordinating Office 573-2588. Volunteers needed, 6-month commitment asked; bi-weekly support groups; intensive training provided.

San Mateo County AIDS/ARC Counseling Service sponsored by Dept of Health Services. Trained & experienced facilitators. Open & frank discussions in a safe atmosphere. Info: Gloria Greenberg or Nancy Jordan 363-4111. For info on other county services or programs: Ed Hilton, AIDS Program Coordinator 573-2588.

Antibody Positive Drop-In Support Group sponsored by UCSF AIDS Health Project & Operation Concern. Thursdays, 6-8 pm. Focus on assisting individuals in exploring concerns around positive test results, supporting development of coping skills. Operation Concern, 1853 Market at

Guerrero, SF. Info: 476-6430.

HIV Positive In-Depth Psychotherapy Group for gay & bisexual men who do not have symptoms of AIDS or ARC. Use the fears from testing positive to open your heart to yourself & others, make life more what you wish it to be. Give & receive support, build self-esteem, deal with emotional confusion. Tues: 7:30-9:30 pm. Limited to 8 members. Info: Dave Cooperberg, MA 431-3220.

People with AIDS/ARC Support Group meets in Berkeley Thurs 2-4 pm. Spons by AIDS Project of the Eastbay. Info: 420-8181.

Parents Support Group: for parents of children living with AIDS/ARC. Open to parents with children of any age, facilitated by two parents of a person with AIDS. Issues that arise for parents can be difficult to deal with alone, come talk to other parents who've been there. 6-8 pm in Oakl. Spons by AIDS Project of the East Bay. Info: 420-8181.

Lovers, Friends, & Family of People with AIDS/ARC Group meets in Berkeley. Mon 6-8 pm. Info: AIDS Project of the East Bay 420-8181.

Documentation of AIDS Issues & Research (D.A.I.R. Foundation): operates Project Inform, the Ribavirin/Isopinosine research study, and an AIDS treatment information hotline. Archive open to the public by appointment. Info: 928-0292.

Couples Group for people with AIDS & their partners. Deal with improving communication, problem-solving & other relationship issues. 6 wk groups start every other month. For info call AIDS Health Project 626-6637.

Couples Support Group sponsored by Shanti Project: time limited, 8-wk groups for support/affirmation. Either one or both partners may be diagnosed with AIDS in order to attend group. Info: 777-CAFE.

Bereaved Men whose lovers have died of AIDS: 6-wk support/healing group. Release feelings, receive comfort, find strength. Facilitated by Stuart Horanoe, PhD. Hospice psychologist; & Tom Grothe, RN. Low fee. Info: 731-4931.

AIDS Legal Defense Fund (ALDF): BALF/NEFR offers free simple wills & powers of attorney for people with AIDS or ARC. Other AIDS related legal matters handled on a case by case basis. Info: Clint Hockenberry 864-8186.

Self-Healing & Support Group for people with AIDS & those concerned with AIDS issues. Every Thurs, 7-9 pm, free. UCSF Campus Ministry Bldg, adjacent to Phelan Hall, or the Golden Gate entrance to the campus (Golden Gate nr Parker, SF). Participants urged to practice self-healing in conjunction with traditional medical treatment. Positive reinforcements, visualizations, meditative techniques, & more. Info: Glennia 567-7126. Not affiliated with any religious group.

AIDS/ARC Switchboard: staffed by men & women with AIDS & ARC. Please call if you're in need of advice, looking for info, confused & anxious, depressed. We want to help. Staffed Mon-Sat 1-4 pm, Thurs 1-6 pm. At other times leave message. Info: 861-7309.

The Jason James Luzzetti Memorial Library provides free books of all sorts for the edification & enjoyment of people with AIDS. For info on its use call Ben Brody 548-7570. Berkeley location.

HIV Concerns in the East Bay: drop-in groups sponsored by Pacific Ctr's AIDS Project of the East Bay. Thurs night: for gay men thinking (or not thinking) about testing, & men waiting for test results. Tues night: for women concerned over testing or waiting for test results. Wed night: HIV antibody positive support group for women & men—gay, straight or bisexual. However you came into contact with the virus, if you've tested positive for antibody or the virus directly, this group welcomes you. No fees, donations requested, no one turned away for lack of funds. Info: 420-8181.

Healing Masses: healing prayers offered for people with AIDS/ARC & others. Spons by integrity, a community of lesbian & gay Episcopalians & friends. Gay & lesbian affirming worship at St John's, 1661 15th St. SF. Sun, 5:30 pm. Info: David Bentley 431-5859.

Garden Sullivan AIDS/ARC Project: provides environmental support (ice cream socials, posters, clocks, calendars, plants, etc) to people on the AIDS/ARC ward at SF's Garden Sullivan Hospital. Spons by integrity (see above).

Falmont Hospital in San Leandro offers AIDS specialty & screening clinic, outpatient day therapies unit, Retrovir (AZT) clinic, alternate test site for antibody testing. AIDS-dedicated inpatient ward, an AIDS-sensitive staff. Info: 867-5219. 9:30 am-4 pm. Mon-Fri. 15400 Ootill Blvd, San Leandro 94578-1091.

AIDS/ARC Group at UCSF's Moffit Hospital: for persons recently diagnosed with AIDS or ARC who are presently in hospital for treatment of related illnesses, or under outpatient care at UCSF. Informal & confidential gathering to discuss problems, issues. Tues eves. 8-9 pm. Info:

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SF Lesbian Gay Historical Society collects, preserves & disseminates materials related to the Bay Area gay & lesbian experience. Also sponsors public programs & workshops on lesbian/gay history. Join in this important work—call 441-1128 or write, SFBAGLHS, POB 42126, SF 94142.

Lesbian & Gay Books & Magazines available at the Harvey Milk Library, 3555 16th St. SF. Hrs: Mon, Thurs, Fri 1-6 pm; Tues 10 am-6 pm; Wed 1-9 pm. Info: 626-1132.

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SF Walking Tours: explore the waterfront by full moon, see the hidden gardens & stairways of Russian Hill, the murals of the Mission & embassies of Pacific Heights—free tours of SF neighborhoods by trained City Guides. For info to arrange special group tours: 558-3981 Tues-Thurs 10 am-3 pm. Spons by Friends of the SF Public Library.

SF Friends of the Urban Forest Walking Tours: free tours thru 9 SF neighborhoods, designed to bring out relationship between the natural, historical & cultural of an area & its history, land development, architectural features, cultural influences & special events. Info: 543-5000, 512 2nd St., 4th fl, SF.

Quicktricks, nation's only gay duplicate bridge club holds open an open games Mon nights, beginners' game on Tues 7 pm at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka (bet 18th & 19th) St. SF. Info: 626-1049.

Take A Ride on the Reading & come to a Lesbian Games Party! Scribble, Monopoly, Hearts—any & all board games. Info: 762-1353.

Men's Brunch & Games for Older Gay Men (60+) & their friends—see Seniors Men's Outings for Older Gay Men (60+) & friends—see Seniors.

Needlecraft & Fiber Arts for Lesbians group for lesbians who enjoy knitting, needlepoint, quilting, spinning, embroidery, counted cross stitch, crocheting, etc. Meet 1st & 3rd Thurs each month, exchange ideas, techniques, encouragement & friendship. Also exhibit outings, demos, various speakers. Info: Lisa 824-7136.

Group Oil Massage for Men: every Sun at 7 pm, \$12. Doors open at 6:30. Body Electric School, 6527-A Telegraph Ave. Oakland. Info: 653-1594.

Herb Ctr offer acupuncture, homeopathy, Shiatsu massage, dietary counseling, Chinese & Western herbs. Siding scale. Open 9 am-7 pm Mon-Fri, 9:30-1:30 on Sat. 513 Valencia St at 16th. SF. Info: 861-1101.

Min Art "People's Well-Being" Health Ctr offers lesbian/gay sensitive primary care to the community. Western medicine: general medicine, gynecology & women's health, "2nd opinions", nutrition & exercise counseling, relaxation & meditation techniques. Traditional Chinese medicine: acupuncture & herbal medicine. Fresh herbal pharmacy. Diet: general, preventative & aesthetic. Psychotherapy: adult, couples & family. SL, Ins & Medi-Cal accepted. Info: 771-4040, 1144-A Pacific Ave nr Taylor, SF.

Fertility Awareness Classes for Women: offered at District Health Ctr #5, 1351 24th Ave. SF. Learn how to observe & interpret your body's changes during the menstrual cycle. Use info to achieve or prevent pregnancy. Info: 558-2544. Partners welcome to attend class.

Free Rolling body screenings & postural analyses for gay men & lesbians, by Shimon Attie, MFCC, certified Rolfer. Tues/Thurs/Sat. Info/appt: 922-3478.

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Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services: gen'l medical care, gynecology, referrals. Special attention to the health needs of lesbians. WA, SL, 2480 Mission nr 21st St. SF. 641-0222.

Lesbian Clinic of the Berkeley Women's Health Collective provides health care by & for lesbians. Mon 7-9 pm. Call for appt: 843-6194.

Women's Occupational Stress Resource Ctr: stress groups for women workers, resource library, referral service, workshops & lectures. 264 Valencia St. SF. Info: Barbans 864-2364.

Women's Cancer Resource Ctr: information & resource ctr for Bay Area women with cancer, their friends, families & practitioners. Provides drop-in support group for women with cancer (meets 1st & 3rd Mon of each month). Info: 653-9028 or write POB 11235, Oakl, 94611.

UC Infectious Disease and Tropical Medicine Clinic: specialized care for gay patients with sexually transmitted infectious parasitic diseases. 5th floor, Ambulatory Care Clinic, 400 Parnassus, SF. Wed afternoons, 1-5 pm. Call 666-5787 for appt. Info: 653-1594.

The Men's Clinic: VD testing, treatment, counseling & referral by & for gay men. Gay Men's Health Collective, Berkeley Free Clinic, 2339 Durant Ave, Berk, WA, Confidential. Info: 644-0425.

Explorations in Healing & Eroticism: Taoist, Tantric & Reichian approaches to sex & love. Body Electric School of Massage & Rebirthing, 6527-A Telegraph, Oak. Info: 653-1594.

Biofeedback Stress Reduction: call Shimon Attie, MA, MFCC for free consultation. Info: 922-3478.

SF Microbiotic Network sponsors community clinics for men & women. Info: 630 pm; followed by talk or discussion on alternative health & spirituality. Zen Guest House, 273 Page St. SF. Info: 431-2122. \$8 or SL fee.

► HEALTH

Women's Clinic at District Health Ctr #1 provides medical screening for cancer of the breast, thyroid & cervix, and STDs. Confidential. SL, 3850 17th St. SF. Hrs: Tues 8-10 pm, Thurs noon-2:30 pm, 4-6 pm. Info: 558-3905.

PAP Tests at City Clinic: also diagnosis, treatment & counseling, for vaginitis conditions, enteric diseases. Screening & referral for AIDS. Bilingual (Spanish) staff available. Confidential, low cost services. Hrs: Mon & Thurs 9:30 am-6 pm; Tues, Wed & Fri 8 am-4 pm. 356 7th St. SF. Mon-Fri. Info: 864-8100.

Men's Wart Clinic: treatment for penile & anal warts warts in a gay sensitive atmosphere at Oakland Feminist Health Ctr, 2930 McCuirc, Oakland. SL fees for low-income. Fred Strauss of the Gay Men's Health Collective is the staff physician, for evening appt: 444-5676.

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► HOTLINES AND REFERRALS

Solano County Gay Info Line Referrals & info on local & out-of-county happenings for men & women. (707) 448-1010.

SF Sex Information Switchboard: Mon-Fri, 3-9 pm. Info and referrals on all aspects of sexuality, for all ages & life-styles. 665-7300.

Battered Lesbian 24-hr hot-line, individual counseling, support grps & legal advocacy clinics. Info: Liz at WOMAN Inc. 864-4722.

Gay Domestic Violence: info, peer counseling for gay & bisexual men who batter. Referrals for victims of battering. Spons by MOVE (Men Overcoming Violence). Info: 626-MOVIE.

Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project provides direct services for male victims of domestic violence: crisis intervention, 24-hr report hotline, criminal justice system advocacy, individual counseling, 8-wk support groups, referrals & emergency services. Spons by OUVAF. Call 864-7233 for help. Free.

Gay Area Youth Switchboard: info, referral, peer counseling. Info: 386-GAYS or POB 846, SF 94101.

Gay Youth Community Coalition publishes "We Are Here," guide listing of No. Calif resources for young lesbians & gays (13-25). For copy, send first class, stamped, self-addressed business size envelope, enclose statement saying that your age is 25 or under, sign name at bottom. Or enclose \$2 check to Gay Youth Community Coalition, POB 846, SF 94101.

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► ONGOING CLASSES

Women's Yoga Class: release body tension, develop awareness & trust thru practicing the yoga postures. Iyengar style. Beginning level, ongoing classes. Tues 5:45-7:15 pm; Sat 8:15-9:45 am. New class open to women & men. Thurs 10:11-30 am. \$35/5 classes, \$8 drop-in. Ctr for Tai Chi, 433A Valencia St. SF. Info: Vedleya 585-1592.

Vedleya Yoga Class with Rob Villacan. Emphasizes alignment & breathing. All levels welcome. \$24/4 classes, \$7 drop-in. Siding scale. Mondays, 6:30-8 pm, 455-A Valencia St. SF. Info: 864-1141.

Yoga for Women: posture, breathing, meditation. Tues, 6:30-8 pm, Thurs 6:30-8 pm. \$6. Oakland location. Info: Ali Hammer 654-8765.

Orale Preparation for LCSW, MFCC: individual sessions. Experienced with both exams. Info: Margie Cohen, LCSW

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► POLITICAL

Stonewall Gay Demo Club meets 7:30 pm, first Mon of each month at MCC, 150 Eureka St. SF.

East Bay Lesbian/Gay Demo Club meets monthly in Oakland & Berkeley. For location & other info, call Don 527-0801.

Alice B. Torkias Lesbian/Gay Demo Club meets every 2nd Mon at 7:45 pm at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. SF. Info: 621-3236. Join to help in the fight to protect the rights of lesbians & gay men.

Harvey Milk Lesbian & Gay Demo Club gen'l mtg; every 4th Tues of month. 7:30 pm, Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. SF. Info: 285-4742.

Feminists for Animal Rights welcome interested women. Bi-monthly mtgs. Eastbay location. Info: Mart 547-7251.

Alexander Hamilton American Legion Post #448: a veterans' organization of gays, lesbians and straight people of various races & ethnicities working together in harmony. Meets every 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 pm at the Veteran's Bldg, Rm 213, 401 Van Ness, SF. Info: 431-1413 or 824-3907.

Freedom Democratic Caucus: a political

volunteers at Pacific Ctr listen to your concerns. Also Bay Area & nationwide info—from sports, entertainment, rap groups, counseling, AIDS info. Call 841-8224.

AIDS Alternative Healing Project Hotline. Info/referrals on alternative healing approaches, practitioners: see AIDS Resources.

Poison Control Central: 24 hr service. Over-the-phone help w/ poison emergencies. Call 476-8600.

SF Drug Line: support, info, referrals on drug problems/treatment. Call 752-3400.

Discriminated Against because of your sexual orientation? Contact SF Human Rights Commission, Lesbian/Gay Liaison Unit. There are local laws to protect you. Info: Eileen Gilles 558-4901.

Gay Legal Referral Services for all legal problems. 1/2 hour consultation, \$20. Some low-fee & no-fee referrals available. Info: 621-3900.

Southbay Gay Hotline: info, referrals, peer counseling. (408)293-4525, (408) 293-AGAY.

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► PERFORMANCE ARTS

Art Goers: visit galleries, museums, studios, poetry/performance events, & special films with other women & men. Focus on modern & contemporary arts. Info: Tess 994-3002 or Richard 697-2830.

G.A.W.K. (Gay Artists and Writers Collective) is for people involved in performing, writing, recording, etc. Info: GAWK/Jon Sugar, 2230 Sacramento #10, SF 94115.

Temescal Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsals: 7:30 pm, Trinity Hall, 2320 Dana at Durant, Berkeley. Info: 843-1439.

Girlfriends Productions: provides quality entertainment, recreational & educational services for the women's community, including retreats, seminars. Info: volunteer: 654-9284.

Community Women's Orchestra: all women who play an orchestral instrument, read music & have some prior ensemble experience (high school band does count!) encouraged to dust off those instruments & sign up. CWO is an amateur ensemble located by the Bay Area Women's Philharmonic. New members are welcome, especially in the string section. Rehearsals: 7:30-9:30 pm, in SF. Info: 626-4888.

Lesbian Artists' Salon: network of lesbian visual and performing artists. Monthly mtgs; musicians, poets & womyn of color especially encouraged. Info: Barbara 621-0924.

Women Songwriters' monthly gathering/potluck, share songs, info, talk, food, jam. All styles welcome. Info: Judi or Tracy 731-7299.

Playwrights' Cooperative: associates desired with previous production experience, but no affiliation with a particular theatre. People with group experience & conflict resolution skills particularly desired— as well as multiple theatrical skills or desire to develop them. Info: 236-0754 during business hours.

SF Band Foundation Performance Groups Rehearsal Schedule: City Swing, Wednesdays; Flag Corp, Tuesdays; Marching Band & Twirling Corps, Tuesdays; Tap Troupe, Mondays & Wednesdays. All times, 7:30 pm. Info: 626-4888.

Arthouse Phone Line provides info about live/work studio space for artists in the SF Bay Area. See Hotlines & Referrals.

► ONGOING CLASSES

Self Defense Class taught by Kris Anderson, for info call 861-3523. Also make class can be scheduled thru UCSF police, info: Jackie 476-5683.

Spanish Conversation & Reading Class. All levels welcome. \$7/session. Exchange possible. Facilitator is SFUSO grad student, certified tutor, and a Mexican native. Info: 654-6647.

Printing—Training & Job Placement: 12 wk course covers offset press operation & basic graphic arts. Info: Friends Outside 863-5100.

Healing The Earth Bodywork Training: 150-hr state-approved certificate program focused for gay men & lesbians. Body Electric School of Massage & Rebirthing, 6527-A Telegraph, Oakl. Info: Joseph Kramer 653-1594.

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Clown Workshop: for development of the "personal clown" in the European tradition. Taught by Arina Luscannon, internationally recognized access, clown & puppeteer. Info: 587-3301.

Singing For Life, ongoing singing classes for women w/ voice teacher/bodyworker Lynne Uretsky. Combines individual & group work. Wkly mtgs. Oakland location, SL. Info: 465-3306.

Music Play Group for Adults: emphasis on moving to new levels of vitality & creative expression thru sound & song, instruments, movement improv, writing, visualization & more. Info: Lynne Uretsky 465-9306.

Voice Release Workshop for Women: breathwork, sounding, singing, improvisation. Emphasis on emotional/body connections. Info: Yolande 654-5512.

Women's Round Circle meets Wed evenings in Berkeley to sing Elizabethan, Spiritual, Folk & African rounds & canons. Rhythmically & harmonically exciting songs taught by Yolande Adams. 6 wks/\$36-60. Info: 654-5512.

Finding the Groove: group & individual classes in drums, congas, improv, composition, classical & jazz. Gentle guidance approach. Info: Joyce 843-8835.

Tayu Studio Group: meets every Tues, 8 pm, Sebastopol. Spons by Tayu Fellowship—A Fourth Way Spiritual School. Drop-in class into class includes Fourth Way meditation, readings & discussions. Info/referrals: Tayu Ctr, 513 Valencia St. SF. Info: 861-6733.

Business Consulting Groups: business consultation in group setting, Tues & Wed, 2 hrs, \$25/session. Women-only groups available. Info: Colette Red 824-4494.

Women/Minority Men: bi-weekly orientation class for getting into the trades & blue-collar work. Earn good money as plumbers, machine operators, electricians. Tues 3-5 pm, free. Info: Women in Apprenticeship 864-3255 or Sara Tuttle 282-3100.

Seth Discussion Group: discuss the Seth books & ideas. Wed eves, 7:30 pm. Info/location: Michael 753-0687.

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Clown Workshop: for development of the "personal clown" in the European tradition. Taught by Arina Luscannon, internationally recognized access, clown & puppeteer. Info: 587-3301.

Singing For Life, ongoing singing classes for women w/ voice teacher/bodyworker Lynne Uretsky. Combines individual & group work. Wkly mtgs. Oakland location, SL. Info: 465-3306.

Music Play Group for Adults: emphasis on moving to new levels of vitality & creative expression thru sound & song, instruments, movement improv, writing, visualization & more. Info: Lynne Uretsky 465-9306.

Voice Release Workshop for Women: breathwork, sounding, singing, improvisation. Emphasis on emotional/body connections. Info: Yolande 654-5512.

Women's Round Circle meets Wed evenings in Berkeley to sing Elizabethan, Spiritual, Folk & African rounds & canons. Rhythmically & harmonically exciting songs taught by Yolande Adams. 6 wks/\$36-60. Info: 654-5512.

Finding the Groove: group & individual classes in drums, congas, improv, composition, classical & jazz. Gentle guidance approach. Info: Joyce 843-8835.

Tayu Studio Group: meets every Tues, 8 pm, Sebastopol. Spons by Tayu Fellowship—A Fourth Way Spiritual School. Drop-in class into class includes Fourth Way meditation, readings & discussions. Info/referrals: Tayu Ctr, 513 Valencia St. SF. Info: 861-6733.

Business Consulting Groups: business consultation in group setting, Tues & Wed, 2 hrs, \$25/session. Women-only groups available. Info: Colette Red 824-4494.

Women/Minority Men: bi-weekly orientation class for getting into the trades & blue-collar work. Earn good money as plumbers, machine operators, electricians. Tues 3-5 pm, free. Info: Women in Apprenticeship 864-3255 or Sara Tuttle 282-3100.

Seth Discussion Group: discuss the Seth books & ideas. Wed eves, 7:30 pm. Info/location: Michael 753-0687.

Psychic Classes for Women: work with chakras, auras, energy blocks, spirit guides. Active, participatory. \$10/class, negotiable. East Bay location. Info: 652-4332.

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► ONGOING CLASSES

Women's Yoga Class: release body tension, develop awareness & trust thru practicing the yoga postures. Iyengar style. Beginning level, ongoing classes. Tues 5:45-7:15 pm; Sat 8:15-9:45 am. New class open to women & men. Thurs 10:11-30 am. \$35/5 classes, \$8 drop-in. Ctr for Tai Chi, 433A Valencia St. SF. Info: Vedleya 585-1592.

Vedleya Yoga Class with Rob Villacan. Emphasizes alignment & breathing. All levels welcome. \$24/4 classes, \$7 drop-in. Siding scale. Mondays, 6:30-8 pm, 455-A Valencia St. SF. Info: 864-1141.

Yoga for Women: posture, breathing, meditation. Tues, 6:30-8 pm, Thurs 6:30-8 pm. \$6. Oakland location. Info: Ali Hammer 654-8765.

Orale Preparation for LCSW, MFCC: individual sessions. Experienced with both exams. Info: Margie Cohen, LCSW

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► POLITICAL

Stonewall Gay Demo Club meets 7:30 pm, first Mon of each month at MCC, 150 Eureka St. SF.

East Bay Lesbian/Gay Demo Club meets monthly in Oakland & Berkeley. For location & other info, call Don 527-0801.

Alice B. Torkias Lesbian/Gay Demo Club meets every 2nd Mon at 7:45 pm at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. SF. Info: 621-3236. Join to help in the fight to protect the rights of lesbians & gay men.

Harvey Milk Lesbian & Gay Demo Club gen'l mtg; every 4th Tues of month. 7:30 pm, Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. SF. Info: 285-4742.

Feminists for Animal Rights welcome interested women. Bi-monthly mtgs. Eastbay location. Info: Mart 547-7251.

Alexander Hamilton American Legion Post #448: a veterans' organization of gays, lesbians and straight people of various races & ethnicities working together in harmony. Meets every 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 pm at the Veteran's Bldg, Rm 213, 401 Van Ness, SF. Info: 431-1413 or 824-3907.

Freedom Democratic Caucus: a political

601-0643.

Beth Abrams Dance Studio offers special summer workshops in jazz dance, beginning jazz ballet, jazz for kids (ages 10-16) & stretch-aerobics. All classes are fun, vigorous, & taught in a supportive, non-competitive atmosphere. Info: 282-6177.

Movement Underground offers aerobic (beg, intermed, adv), stretch & tone, Afro-Haitian, modern jazz, modern ballet, ballet, and modern technique classes. For kids: preschool dance, beginning ballet, children's jazz. Studio includes childcare area, & spacious sprung floor. Rehearsal space available. Info: 552-7149.

Low-Impact Aerobics with Lena Venginsky. Tues & Thurs, 6-7 pm, \$4. High energy workshops; safe, less jarring movement, certified instruction. Bring towel. Amelia's, 647 Valencia St. SF. Info: 552-7788.

Quan Yin Healing Arts Ctr classes & community workshops on various aspects of healing, from acupuncture to microbotics to crystals. Info/schedule Gemma 861-1101, 513 Valencia St. SF. Info: 621-3900.

Southbay Gay Hotline: info, referrals, peer counseling. (408)293-4525, (408) 293-AGAY.

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► PERFORMANCE ARTS

Art Goers: visit galleries, museums, studios, poetry/performance events, & special films with other women & men. Focus on modern & contemporary arts. Info: Tess 994-3002 or Richard 697-2830.

G.A.W.K. (Gay Artists and Writers Collective) is for people involved in performing, writing, recording, etc. Info: GAWK/Jon Sugar, 2230 Sacramento #10, SF 94115.

Temescal Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsals: 7:30 pm, Trinity Hall, 2320 Dana at Durant, Berkeley. Info: 843-1439.

Girlfriends Productions: provides quality entertainment, recreational & educational services for the women's community, including retreats, seminars. Info: volunteer: 654-9284.

Community Women's Orchestra: all women who play an orchestral instrument, read music & have some prior ensemble experience (high school band does count!) encouraged to dust off those instruments & sign up. CWO is an amateur ensemble located by the Bay Area Women's Philharmonic. New members are welcome, especially in the string section. Rehearsals: 7:30-9:30 pm, in SF. Info: 626-4888.

Lesbian Artists' Salon: network of lesbian visual and performing artists. Monthly mtgs; musicians, poets & womyn of color especially encouraged. Info: Barbara 621-0924.

Women Songwriters' monthly gathering/potluck, share songs, info, talk, food, jam. All styles welcome. Info: Judi or Tracy 731-7299.

Playwrights' Cooperative: associates desired with previous production experience, but no affiliation with a particular theatre. People with group experience & conflict resolution skills particularly desired— as well as multiple theatrical skills or desire to develop them. Info: 236-0754 during business hours.

SF Band

POSITIVE SPIRITUALITY

Join us for an exciting, power-packed, Spiritually focused weekend, dedicated to developing and enhancing positive attitudes for successful living. We will share the love, light and peace of God through joyous fellowship, special music, inspirational messages by the Reverend Elder Freda Smith, singing and prayer come and experience the warmth and joy we channel our spiritual energy for the rejuvenation and healing of body, mind and spirit.

FABULOUS FRIDAY

January 22

6:15 **Pasta, Salad & Bread Dinner** pm "All you can eat" — \$5
7:30 **Spiritual Celebration** with Special Gospel Music by Leola Jiles (one of the most exciting new stars shooting cross our horizon!)

SENSATIONAL SUNDAY

January 23

Noon **Women's Brunch** with Reverend Elder Freda Smith and her lifemate Kathleen — All women invited.

6:15 **Mexican Dinner** (Meat & Vegetarian) "All you can eat" — \$5
7:30 **Spiritual Celebration** with Special Gospel Choral music by the River City MCC Gospel Choir (one of the best & most exciting choral groups in the entire Fellowship of MCS!)

SUPER SUNDAY

January 24

12:30 **Spiritual Celebration** with Surprise Special Music

Meals at 152 Church St.; Spiritual Celebrations at 48 Belcher St.

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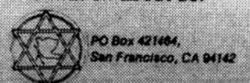
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Congregation Ahavat Shalom

• A growing community of lesbian, gay and bisexual Jews and friends.

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• Free childcare and sign language available (with 48 hr notice). Call 621-1020 for more information about us.



alliance of lesbians & gay men serving Santa Cruz County. Info: POB Box 7293, Santa Cruz, 95061-7293.
SF Jewish Sanctuary Coalition supports efforts to aid refugees seeking safe haven in the US. Info: POB 411391, SF 94141-1391; or call 522-6946, 282-2636.
Committee to Preserve Our Sexual & Civil Liberties. Open to all persuasions. Info: Tim 863-5428.
Citizens for Medical Justice: an affinity group of lesbians, gay men & others working for gay/lesbian liberation thru non-violent direct action. Focus is primarily AIDS-related issues & coalition-building. If the other political groups are too lame for you, this is the one. Info: 771-4688, 552-8897.
The Victoria Mercado Brigade: a multicultural lesbian & gay group works in solidarity with the people of Nicaragua. Info: Patricia Manns or Margarita Benitez 282-7109.
Lesbians & Gays Against Intervention (LAGAI) meets 1st, 3rd & 5th Mon of each month, 7:15 pm. New members welcome. Info: 346-0647, 821-9087.
Free Sharon Kowalski Committee works to aid Karen Thompson in her fight to gain custody of her disabled lover. Monthly mtgs. Info: 486-1746.
Community Health Coalition represents a wide range of organizations concerned with gaining affordable & accessible health care services for San Franciscans. Individuals & groups welcome to join. Info: 552-8800.

YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Ave, SF. Beginners' classes also offered (call for starting dates). Info: Anna 621-0862, James 621-6408.
Hyacinthus group for lesbians & gay men of Greek ancestry. Info: Box 14022, SF 94114.
Gay & Lesbian Social: held 2nd Fri of each month, 7:30-11 pm, Eastbay location. Free, all encouraged to bring snack or beverage to share. Everyone expected to speak in Spanish. Native speakers & learners welcome. Info: Mildred 841-9415, Armando 849-3983.
Phoebe Snow Society: intl organization of gay rail fans. Gay people interested in trains, railroading & travel are welcome to join. Info: 352-0301.
Night Workers Anonymous: social/support group for gay men who work nights & want to meet during the day. Group meets 2nd & 4th Wed of each month; 11 am in the garden courtyard at 261 Fell St. SF; then goes out to pursue various activities. Info: 357-0509.
Gay/Lesbian PC Users Group: meet on the 2nd Sun of each month. Both experienced & novice PC users welcome. For info: Jim 334-9761.
Mediterranean Lesbians & Gays: social/cultural group for gay women & men with roots in Albania, Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Monaco, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey, or Yugoslavia. Info: MLG, Box 14051, SF 94114 or Nikos 775-6143 bet 11 am-11 pm.

UCGALA (Univ of Calif Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc). Open to graduates and anyone else who obtained 12 or more units at any UC campus. Annual membership: \$10. For info & to get on mailing list (confidentiality assured), call 547-2200.
Women's Reading Group: small, informal group of women who meet weekly to discuss books by women authors. Info: Dorit 285-6857, Amy 731-3918.
Women's Book Club: monthly group meetings. Discuss books by & about women. Info: 346-8284 day & evenings.
Gay Social Group of Dublin Valley Metropolitan Community Church meets 3rd Sun of each month, 6:30 pm. For info/location: 827-2960.
Gourmet Guppies is a group of gay men & urban professionals interested in extraordinary food & fine wine. Dinners organized at Bay Area's finest restaurants. For info: write: PO Box 744, SF 94101.
Gay Gourmet Group provides a place for accomplished cooks to share their favorite dishes & passion for fine food in an intimate, smoke-free, social setting. Potluck & other activities. Info: Nikos 775-6143, 11 am-11 pm, or write GGG, Box 14022, SF 94114.
Hortiphiles: a group for lesbians & gay men who enjoy growing plants. Info: write: PO Box 31, Palo Alto, CA 94301 or call Geoff 325-7212 or Henrietta 793-6627.

SENIORS

Tea Dance & Social for lesbians over 60 and their women friends, last Sun of the month, 3-6 pm. VNA, 225 30th St, SF. Bring refreshments to share, donations appreciated. Spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay and Lesbian Outreach to Elders). Info: Elaine Porter 626-7000.
Men's Brunch & Games for older gay men (60+) & friends. Noon-3 pm, 2nd Sun of each month. SF Branch of Assis Comm. Center, 14 Guerrero St, SF. Spons by GLOE. Info: 626-7000 vty.
Men's Support Group for older gay men (60+), 7-8:30 pm, 1st & 3rd Mon of each month. Spons by Operation Concern's GLOE. 1853 Market St, SF. Call 626-7000 for info.

Writers Workshop for Women over 60, spon by GLOE. Info: 626-7000 vty.
Older Gay Men 60+ men group meets 2nd & 4th Thurs of each month, 2-45 pm, in the Friendship Rm, 711 Eddy St, SF. Info: 626-7000.
Bereavement Support Group for Senior Gay Men: you don't have to be alone in your grief. Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) offers emotional support as well as practical assistance to gay men who are grieving the recent death of a lover or close friend. Info: George 626-7000.
Senior Information Line:—see Hotlines & Referrals.

Wednesday Matinees spon by Operation Concern's Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders & North of Market Senior Services. Afternoon of movies, games & refreshments. 2:15-4:30 pm, North of Market Senior Services, 333 Turk St, 2nd floor, SF. Info: 626-7000.
Options HomeShare: lonely? rent too high, or need services in exchange for housing? See hotlines & referrals.

Legal Clinics for Gay & Lesbian Seniors: had problems with Medicare, housing, social security, or other legal issues? Operation Concern's GLOE program & Legal Assistance to the Elderly sponsor a monthly intake site at Operation Concern (1853 Market St nr Guerrero, SF) where lesbian & gay seniors can meet with an LAE attorney to discuss specific legal issues. First Friday of every month, 10 am-noon. Prior appointment necessary, call GLOE 626-7000 or LAE 861-0200 to set up an appt or for more info on services.

Feminist Milnyan (Jewish Prayer Group) is a new minyan for feminist women & men: uses unique blend of traditional prayer with inclusive imagery & language. Rabbi Charisse Kranes & Cantor Linda Hirschhorn. 10 am service. For info/location: Rabbi Kranes 285-5640 or Linda Hirschhorn 654-0799.
Gay Men's Fairy Circle comes together Thurs at 8 pm—bring instruments & energy! Info/location: Telephone 644-0664.
Angel Group meets 7:30 pm, Oakland parlor sanctuary. Share Angel stories, literature, art & music. Discussion, guided meditation, candlelight ceremony. Women & men of all religious backgrounds welcome. Winged Goddess/Deva/Fairy orientated. Led by Suzanne Judith, Spiritual Guide. Info: 658-7797.
Sunday's Women: a Danic gathering in SF dedicated to the Goddess in her many guises. 3rd Sun of each month, 11:30 am at Montclair Women's Club, 1650 Mountain Blvd, Oakl. Different Goddess speakers each month, mini-rituals. Info: 444-7724.
Tayu Fellowship: a Fourth Way Spiritual School. Box 11554, Santa Rosa, 95406. Info: (707) 829-2579.
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SOCIAL GROUPS

Birth & Birth Club of SF meets Sat. Chubbies meet, chess, meet chubbies. For info write: 495 Ellis St #164, SF 94102 or call 680-7612. 24-hr message hotline: 552-1143.
Prothius: The Man's Alternative, non-fee, safe social/support group for masculine, in-shape athletes, bodybuilders, professionals 20s to 40s. Meet men with traditional values & straight behaviors. Varied activities & events. Info: 648-1860 or write P.O. 316, 1070 Church St, SF 94114.
The Fraternal Order of Gays: 304 Gold Mine Dr, SF. Ongoing activities. Call 641-0999 or write for calendar of activities.
Feminist Lesbian Social Group (FLSG) meets once monthly in the S. Bay for a potluck. Open to all women who want to make new contacts & new old ones. Info: FLSG, POB 70833, Sunnyvale 94086.
Square Dance Group: Western Star Dancers SF meets every Wed 8:15 pm. Mainstream/Plus level. 2nd floor theatre,

SPIRITUALITY

AIDS Ecumenical Healing Services: see AIDS Resources.
Ahavat Shalom, lesbian, gay & bisexual synagogue. Shabbat services 8:15 pm, Fridays. MCC, 150 Eureka St, SF, 621-1020.
Shabbat Services with Sha'ar Zahav, Jewish lesbian/gay congregation. Every Fri at 8:15 pm & last Saturday of each month, 10:30 am, 220 Danvers (upper Market). SF: 861-6932.
Jewish Lesbians & friends meet to celebrate Shabbat, 1st Fri of each month, EB location. Join us for song, food & Jewish culture—no experience necessary! Jewish women of color and Sephardic women especially welcome. Info: 653-8745, 531-5465.
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St Marks Lutheran Church Communion: Sun, 8:30 & 11 am, 1111 O'Farrell at Gough, SF. Info: 928-7770.
Adventures: Southern Baptist Bible Study & support group meets Wednesdays, 7:30 pm. Location varies. Everyone is welcome. For info: 843-9705, 626-5034.
Baptist: American American Baptists Concerned (a gay/lesbian caucus) meets 1st Sun of each month (except summer). Also publishes quarterly newsletter, *Voice of the Turtle*. To be on mailing list send \$7 to ABC, 870 Erie St, Oakl 94610. For more mtg info: 655-2778, 465-8652.
Dolores Street Baptist Church (Southern Baptist) worship service at 10 am. Everyone welcome to a congregation where gay/lesbian and non-gay people worship openly together. 208 Dolores St at 15th St, SF. Info: Acceptance 843-9705, 626-5034.
Confirmation: Gay & Lesbian Mormons meets every Sun at 7 pm, SF and/or EB location. Discussion groups, socials, speakers. Info or to receive newsletter: 641-0791.
Dignity/SF: Gay & Lesbian Catholics, friends & families celebrate the Eucharist, Sun, 5:30 pm, St Boniface Church, 133 Golden Gate Ave (bet Jones & Leavenworth) SF. Sign: 584-1714.
Dignity/East Bay: Lesbian/Gay Catholics celebrate positive liturgy on 2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month, 6pm; University Christian Church "Annex," 2401 LeConte, Berk. Raps, social events, too. Info: 547-1730.
Presbyterians for Lesbian/Gay Concerns: nurture, study, worship, social events for Presbyterians in greater Bay Area. Info: Dick & Craig 431-6548 or Jamie 929-1214.
Community of the Love of Christ: worship with the Ecumenical Catholic Church-Community celebrating the unconditional love of God for all people. Sunday & midweek house Eucharist, SF & EB locations. Info: 864-2799(SF), 236-3820(EB).
Christian Women's Support Group meets 4th Sat of each month. Inclusive language eucharist, potluck, fellowship. Info: Rev Sue Bergmans 525-2459, Bonita Palmer 647-8390.
Golden Gate Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) Sun worship services at 48 Belcher St, SF. 12:30 pm & 7 pm, 558-0441.
SF MCC Sun worship services, 10:30 am & 7 pm, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 626-7000 for 10:30 am service; info: 863-4434.
Women's Gatherings: time for spirituality & sharing. 7:30-9 pm every 4th Mon of month. CC provided. Spons by MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 863-4434.
New Life MCC Sun worship service: 1823 9th St at Heart, Berkeley, 4 pm. Info: 843-9355.
Maranatha MCC worship service, Sun 6 am. Star King Unitarian Church, 22577 Bayview St, Hayward. Also open rap group Wed, 7 pm, 881-5649.
Diablo Valley MCC Sun worship service, 10 am, 2253 Concord Blvd, Concord. Wed worship, 7 pm, followed by lay ministry courses at 8:15 pm. Info: 827-2960.
Russian River MCC Sun worship service: Noon, 14520 Armstrong Woodside Rd, Guerneville. Info: Rev Linda Laster (707) 869-0552.
Holy Trinity Community Church of San Jose, an ecumenical Christian church w/ a special ministry to the gay & lesbian community. Emphasis on healing ministry, gifts of the Holy Spirit. Support of gay/lesbian causes. Info: Rev. F. Randall Hill, 409/292-3071.
SF Quaker Meeting: 11 am on Sundays. 2160 Lake St (at 23rd Ave). Info: 752-7440.
Hartford Street Zen Ctr, Zen Buddhist Meditation group in the Castro. Zazen daily, 5am-5:00am & 6pm, M-F; Lecture 1 am Sundays. 57 Hartford St. Info: 863-2507.
MCC Santa Rosa, a Christian church-family of gay/lesbian people, meets Sundays, 11 am; 515 Orchard St. Info: (707) 864-8106.
Gay & Lesbian Mass: lesbian & gay affirming worship. All welcome. Nonsexist language. Healing prayers offered each service. Spons by Integrity, a community of gay & lesbian Episcopalians & friends. 5:30 pm Sun at St John's, 1661 15th St, SF. Info: David Bentley 431-5859.
Women-in-Integrity: women's ministry within a lesbian & gay affirming community of Episcopalians & friends. Special women's focus at mass every 3rd Sun (see above). Info: Bonita Palmer 647-8390 or Rev Sue Bergmans 525-2459.
The Parsonage: ministry of the Episcopal Church in the lesbian & gay community. Houses 12-Step groups & AIDS Hope & Help Ctr. Programs include: prison ministry, parish outreach, newsletter (\$10 per year), personal growth training classes & more. Info: 552-2909.
Simply There, a listening ministry by & for women: Tues, 7:30-9:30 pm in the living room/library of the Parsonage, 555A Castro St, SF. Warm & safe atmosphere for dialogue between women. Info: 552-2909.

Most Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church, 100 Diamond St, SF. Mass: 5 pm Sat, 7 & 10 am Sun, weekdays at 8 am. Info: 863-6259.
GALLO (Gay & Lesbian Outreach Committee) of Most Holy Redeemer Church welcomes lesbians & gay men to MHR parish. Come join us! Info: 863-6259.
Seventh-Day Adventists: SDA Knispah Intl support group for gay/lesbian Adventists & friends. Local church has weekly "family nights" & monthly potluck/socials. Location varies. Info: Marcus 651-8912, Irene 626-5240.
Santa Rosa Gay Men's Singing Meditation Group: 8 pm Wed. Info: (707) 526-6618.
Avatar Mother Baba: gay & lesbian followers of Meher Baba welcome you to our gatherings. Info: Lamy 441-7008 or Jim 753-6761.
Tues Night Meditation & Healing Circle: experience the peace of the moment with an open, friendly group of diverse background. 7:30 pm, Haight Ashbury Bay Community Room, 1533 Page St, SF. Info: James or Peter 864-5483.

SF Track & Field practice sessions: Sun 10:30 am, open to men & women of all ages & abilities. Prepare for Gay Games III now—call Rick 641-1786 for info.
SF Frontmen is a running club for lesbians & gay men. All levels. Meet at 6:30 am, McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park, SF, followed by dinner; Sat at 9 am, Slow Lake Boat House, Golden Gate Park, followed by brunch; & every Sun at 10 am at various locations (see Main Calendar), followed by brunch. Business mtg/potluck 1st Sun of each month (after Run). Info: 647-3227 or 337-4333.
Eastbay Frontrunner's Club sponsors noncompetitive runs in various Eastbay locations. Runs begin Sat at 9:30 am, followed by socializing & food. CC available. Info: Jill 526-7315, Mary Ann 526-3506, Ray 261-3246.
Women On Wheels (bike club) offers short & long distance recreational & touring rides. For details write: WOW 175 11th Ave, SF 94118.
SF Hiking Club: join us for day trips, backpacking & social activities. See calendar listing for this month's schedule. For more info write: SF Hiking Club, POB 421273, SF 94142-1273.
Wilderness Women offer monthly excursions for women. Day hikes & longer trips. Info: Wilderness Women, 5329 Mendocino Ave, Oakland CA 94618 or call 658-2196.
"Box-Aerobics" Anyone? Closet Rocky's wanted for non-competitive, no contact/impact fun Saturday workouts. No experience, anyone welcome. Info: A1 Rick the Singing Pumber 755-2348.
Gay/Lesbian Sierra: escape the madness of the city, explore & appreciate the beautiful outdoors. 2.5 day, 11-13 hikes each week, plus monthly program on 3rd Tues of each month, 7:30 pm, Nat'l Sierra Club, Polk St at Ellis, SF. For SIGN, call TDD 776-8107. For info & free sample newsletter: 653-5012 (24-hrs).
Golden Gate Wrestling Club: meets 7:30 Tues, 172 Prentiss St, SF. All ages, weights, skill levels represented. Freestyle wrestling. Info: Gene 621-2391.
Gay Tennis Federation: lesbian & gay tennis club. All levels of play welcome. Monthly mtg 7:30 pm, 3rd Mon of each month at Community Rentals, 470 Castro St, SF. Info: Tom Kelly 552-9595 or write: GTF, 2215-R Market St, Ste 109, SF CA 94114.
Mountain Dynamics: very informal rides for lesbians with mountain bikes. Leave messages: 658-2308.
X-to-Gay Community Ski Club spon monthly ski weekends in the Sierras. Costs for the weekends is about \$25. Club also sponsors Friday night potluck for members & guests. Come ski—or learn to ski—with other lesbians & gay men! Non-profit, open to women & men of all skill levels. For brochure, or to register for a weekend, call 531-1156.
BOPE (Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program) provides & promotes recreation, sports & fitness by & for physically disabled people: wilderness trips, wheelchair sports (sponsor of the local women's wheelchair basketball team—the Bay Area Meteorites), children & youth programs.

older adults program. Info: 849-4663 voice/TDD.
Pacific Area of Women Martial Artists: promotes martial arts training for women. Works to "improve the physical, mental, & spiritual development of women martial artists" thru the fostering of mutual respect among divergent styles of training & diverse groups of women. Dues \$15 annually. For info write SASE: PAWMA, POB 858, Berkeley, CA 94701-0858.
All-Blues Women's Rugby Club of the Bay Area seeks players—no experience necessary! Practices Tues & Thurs eves at Strawberry Field, Berkeley. Info: Rugby Hotline—528-BLUE.
Homopolo Gay & Lesbian Waterpolo Team: meets Tues eves for coached workouts, 7:15-9 pm. Oakland High School Pool, 1055 MacArthur Blvd (take 580 to Park St Exit), Oakl. All levels of swimmers welcome. Info: Ralph Doore 824-4848.
Tsunami Gay & Lesbian Masters Swim Team meets every Sun, 9:30-11 am, for coached workouts. Martin Luther King Pool, 3rd St at Carol Ave. All levels welcome, don't be afraid to take the plunge! Info: Mark Lipski 221-8153.

SUBSTANCE ADDICTION/CO-ADDICTION

Lesbians In Recovery from drug & alcohol dependency: therapy groups at the Iris Project for women 21 days substance-free, 1st 6 months substance-free, & 12-16 months substance-free. Also groups for recovering lesbians of color, incest survivors, & adult daughters of alcoholics. Info: 864-2364.
Adult Children of Alcoholics ongoing & time-limited therapy groups at the Haight Ashbury Free Medical Clinic, SL, no one turned away for lack of funds. Info/intake appt: 552-7230.
Lesbian/Gay People of Color AA mtgs at 18th St Services. Sat 11:30 pm, 2152-B Market St, SF. Info: 861-4898.
Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous mtg. All Saints Church, 1350 Waller St, SF. Beginner's mtg Mon 7:15-7:45 pm; reg mtg Mon 8:15-8 pm. WA. Info/Int of SF AA mtgs: 661-1828.
Gay Alcoholics Anonymous mtg. Most Holy Redeemer Church, 117 Diamond St, SF. Wed 8:30 pm, 661-1828.
All-Non for Gay Men and Women meets Tues 8 pm, Trinity, Episcopal Church, Bush & Gough Sts, SF. Also on made up of people who have been deeply affected by alcoholism in a family member, lover or friend, who meet to share experience, strength & hope in dealing with common problems. Info/Int of SF AA mtgs: 626-5633.
Adult Children of Alcoholics for Gay Men: All-Non Family Group meets Thurs, 8 pm, at MCC, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 626-5633.
Adult Children of Alcoholics 12-step program for lesbians & gay men meets 8 pm Wed at MCC, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 824-9474.
All-Non People of Color ACA Lesbian/gay Family Group meets Fri, 7:30 pm, 225 30th St bet Church & Dolores, SF. Info: 626-5633.
Overcoming Violent Behavior Anonymous: 12-step fellowship for batterers based on the principles of AA. Women-only mtg. Wed 6:30-7:45 pm, Pacific Ct, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley.
Men's Oversteers Anon Mtg: every Wed, 8:30 pm; SF Home Health Service, 225 30th St, rms 225/226, SF. For info on AA meetings for gay/lesbians & others call OA Hotline: 665-0851.
Lesbian Oversteers Anonymous mtg: 8:15 pm at MCC, 150 Eureka St (at 18th). SF. Newcomers mtg 1st Thurs of each month, 7:30 pm.
Gay Oversteers Anon helps you to stop eating compulsively. Mtg 8 pm Thurs, Central United Methodist Church, Belcher & 14th St, SF.
Alcoholics Anon Mtgs at the Parsonage, 555-A Castro St, SF. Sundays, 11 am & 8 pm; Mondays, 6 & 8:30 pm; Fridays 6 pm & midnight; Saturdays: 8:30 & 10:30 pm & midnight. Info: 552-2909.
AIDS-Related AA at the Parsonage, 555-A Castro St, SF. Sun, 5pm; Mon, noon; Wed, 6pm; Fri, noon. Info: 552-2909.
AIDS/ARC/MIVV Gay Support Group—see AIDS Resources. Spons by Operation Concern.
Gay Young People's AA at the Parsonage, 555-A Castro St, SF. Sat, 4pm. Info: 552-2909.
AA Mtgs at the Parsonage: Sun 10:30 pm, Wed 11 pm, Tues 6 pm. Info: 552-2909.
Co-Dep Anon: gay/lesbian (all welcome). Thurs, 7:30 pm, MCC, 150 Eureka St at 18th St, SF. Info: 563-2358.
Narcotics Anon Mtg at the Parsonage, 555-A Castro St, SF. Tuesdays, 8:30pm. Info: 552-2909.
Narcotics Anon Mtgs for Gay Women & Men at 18th St Services, 2152 B Market St

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 Thursdays, 7:30-9:30, East Bay location \$25 per week; childcare available: \$5 per week
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Wednesdays—noon, 623 O'Farrell St at Leavenworth; 5:30 & 8:30 pm 623 O'Farrell St at Leavenworth; 8:30 pm 90-9th St at Mission. **Thursdays**—noon, 623 O'Farrell St & 261 Fell St at Gough; 5:30 pm, 623 O'Farrell St; 8:30 pm at Congregational Church, Post & Mason Sts, 623 O'Farrell St, Sacred Heart Church, 546 Fillmore St at Oak, Church of the Advent, 261 Fell St at Gough. **Fridays**—noon, 623 O'Farrell; 12:10 pm, 536 Mission St at 1st (m 250); 5:30 pm, 623 O'Farrell; 7 pm, 1668 Bush St at Gough; 8:30 pm at 117 Diamond St (upstairs), 261 Fell St at Gough; & 1668 Bush St. **Saturdays**—10:30 am, 555 Castro St; 6:30 pm, 150 Eureka St; 7 pm, 1710 Golden Gate Ave at Divisadero; 8:30 pm, 555-A Castro St & 623 O'Farrell. **Sundays**—10:30 am & noon, 623 O'Farrell; 2 pm, 150 Eureka St; 5:30 pm, 623 O'Farrell; 8 pm, 555-A Castro St; 8:30 pm, 261 Fell St & 623 O'Farrell. **Additional Gay/Lesbian SF Mtgs:** Tues—(open) 6 pm, 150 Eureka St; 8:30 pm (closed), 150 Eureka St.
Closed (alcoholic only) Gay Mtgs: Wed—12:10 pm, YMCA, 166 The Embarcadero at Mission. Thurs—8:30 pm, 150 Eureka St, SF. Sat—10:30 am, St Francis Church Conference Rm, 152 Church at Market; 4 pm, 555-A Castro St.
Closed Women's Mtgs: Tues—6 pm, 1010 Valencia St; 7:15 pm—6:30 pm at the Presidio, Bldg 1051, Eddie & Kennedy Sts & at Dolores St Baptist Church, 208 Dolores St at 15th (ring bell).

SUPPORT GROUPS

Rap Group for Gay Men at Pacific Ctr, Mon 7:45pm & Tues 8pm. Followed by coffee & social hour for Gay/Bi men. Men welcome to attend either/both activities. 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley, Info: 841-6224.
Bisexual Women's Rap: you don't need to be bisexual but you MUST be female & willing to discuss bisexuality & related issues. WA & SIGN. Wed, 8-9:45 pm, Pacific Ctr, Berkeley, Info: 841-6224.
Bay Area Bisexual Network: umbrella organization for bisexual groups, resources & people. Open to everyone, whether they consider themselves bisexuals or not. BARN is dedicated toward building the bisexual community & creating a movement for diversity & tolerance. Info: 865-4927 or write 48 Shattuck Square #142, Berkeley 94704.
Bisexual Significant Others Group meets every Sun, 7-9 pm. For women & men, regardless of sexual preference. Pacific Ctr, Berkeley, Info: 841-6224.
Lesbian Drop-in Rap: for women over 40. Lesbians of color welcome! Wed 6-8 pm. Options Ctr 431-6405.
Japanese Lesbian Group—see Third World.
Bisexual Women's & Men's Group drop-in on Sun at 7 pm. Pacific Ctr, Berk, Info: 841-6224.
Fundamentalists Anonymous mtg: see Substance Addiction/Co-Addiction.
Women's Cancer Support Group: drop-in group; place to meet, share thoughts & feelings, discuss issues with other women who have or have had cancer. 1st & 3rd Mon of each month, 6:30-8 pm, Old Providence Hospital, 5th floor, Alameda County Unit of the American Cancer Society, 3100 Summit St, Oakland. Facilitated by Jackie Winnow & Regina Quenere, MSN. \$5 donation, no one turned away for lack of funds. WA. Info: 658-8149, 653-9028.
Married Gay & Bi Men's Rap group meets Wed at 8 pm, Pacific Ctr, Berk. Drop-in, Info: 841-6224.
SF SOL (Slightly Older Lesbians—close to or over 30) meets for biweekly potluck/social group every 2nd & 4th Sun. Drop-in, Info: 647-0413.
East Bay SOL group for women over 30. Thurs, 7:30 pm, Pacific Ctr, Berk. Info: 841-6224.
Lesbians Over 40: SOL too young? A touch (or a whole lot) of gray turn you on? Come to a drop-in rap at Options Ctr, Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF, Wed 6-8 pm. Info: 431-6405.
Transvestites & Transsexuals rap group (women & men): 1st and 3rd Wed and last Fri monthly, 8 pm, Pacific Ctr. Info: 841-6224.
Transsexual Support Group: Tues 8-9:45 pm. Drop-in. Pacific Ctr, Berkeley, Info: 841-6224.
Gay Men's Support Group in Fairfield. Raps & socials, Thurs 7:30-10 pm. Info: (707) 448-1010 or write PO Box 73, Fairfield, CA 94533.
Federal Lesbians and Gays (FLAG) offers support, advice, activities for Federal Employees. Mtg 2nd Wednesday of each month, 8pm, SF. Info: 695-9174.
Lesbian Adoptees: open group discussing issues around search, reunion, depression, anger, abandonment, identity, etc. Meets every other Sun in SF. Info: Amy 923-1454.
Adoptees, Birth Parents & Adoptive

Parents support groups meet throughout the Bay Area. For info/locations: Post Adoption Center for Education & Research (PACER) 835-6622.
Bay Area Career Women: professional org. for lesbians that offers support, educational opportunities, contacts & more. Info: 495-5393.
Incest Survivor Groups: both mixed women's groups & those for lesbians in recovery from drugs or alcohol. Phase 1 & 2 groups. Iris Project, 264 Valencia, SF. Info: Angie or Deborah 864-2364.
Incest Survivors Anonymous: We are no longer alone, we have each other. Incest Survivors Anonymous is a 12-step program that enables incest survivors to break out of the victim role & the nightmare of terror, guilt & confusion. Closed mtg for survivors & pro-survivors. Original perpetrators of incest or rape or victims who later became initiators do not attend. Mtgs for women & men. Sun 7-8:30 pm; Tues & Thurs 7:30-9 pm. For women: Sat, 11 am-12:30 pm. Info: 359-2070 anytime.
SF Disability 12-Step Mtg: Open to men & women. Hidden & visible disabilities. Info: Michael 864-6878, Eddie 550-1486.
Partners of Disabled Lesbians: 12-wk support group for lesbians who partners of women with chronic illness, hidden or physical disabilities. Wed eves 5:45-7 pm. Spons by Operation Concern. Info: Daryl or Nathalie, 626-7000.
Eastbay Lesbian SM Support Group: for all lesbians with a positive interest in s/m & leather. Lesbians only. Have a hard time resolving your politics, spirituality or feelings with being a lesbian & into leather? This group is for you! Info: 654-1591 or POB 20365 Oakland 94620.
Women to Women SM: Join the Outcasts, an educational, support & social group for lesbian, bisexual & transsexual women interested in SM with other women. Info/membership: write POB 31266, SF, CA 94131 0266.
Eastbay Lesbian SM Support Group: for all lesbians with a positive interest in s/m & leather. 2nd Thurs of each month 8 pm. Lesbians only. Have a hard time resolving your politics, spirituality or feelings with being a lesbian & into leather? This group is for you! Info: 654-1591 or POB 20365 Oakland 94611.
SM Lesbian Support/Discussion group. No perfumes or scents. Info/location: 668-4622.
TV/TS & Friends Transgender Group meets 8 pm, last Thurs of each month. SF location. Info: 665-5216 or write: ETVCF, POB 6486, SF CA 94101. We're very active & friendly folks, call us!
Older Gay Men's (60+) Rap Group meets—see Seniors for info.
Oakland/East Bay Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (Parents FLAG) holds support groups for parents, relatives & friends of lesbian & gay people. Each 4th Tues. Info: Betty McCall 547-4657.
Berkeley PFLAG: 1st Wed of each month. Info: Ann 486-0534.
SF PFLAG: 2nd Sun each month, 2 pm. St Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church St, SF (enter gate left of church). All welcome. Info: Mary 928-2748.
Mid-Peninsula PFLAG meets 3rd Thurs of each month at University Lutheran Church, 1611 Stanford Ave, Palo Alto, 7:30 pm. Info & support for families & friends of gay men & lesbians. Info: Verda 854-0142.
Diablo Valley PFLAG meets every 3rd Tues. Diablo Valley MCC, 2253 Concord Blvd, Concord. Info: POB 2174, Martinez, 94553 or call 372-9014.
Southbay PFLAG meets 2nd Wed of each month, San Jose location. Info: Nancy (408) 270-8182.
Marin PFLAG: welcomes & supports parents, spouses, siblings, friends & lesbians & gays to its mtgs. 2nd Wed of every month, 26 Kensington Ct, San Anselmo. Info: 479-3535.
Support group for Battered Gay Men if you are being abused or have been abused in the past, call the Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project. Free, 8 wk support group led by licensed psychotherapist. Tues 7:30-9:30 pm, 514 Castro St, SF. Call us, we can help. Info: 864-3112.
Lesbians Who Have Been Battered: group for lesbians who are in or have left a battering relationship. Thurs eves, Oakl location. Led by Audrey Martin, MFCC. Info: 428-1505.
Support Group for Lesbians who are or have been in a battering relationship. SL. Info: Women Inc., 864-4722.
Lesbians of Color Against Abuse (LOCAA): support group for lesbians of color who have been or are now victims of abusive relationships with other lesbians. Info: Rhonda 621-8684.
Battered Lesbian Drop-in Group: spon by Sonoma County YWCA Women's Emergency Shelter Program. 2nd & 4th Wed of every month. Info: (707) 546-1234. Call—you are not the only one.
Women's Employment Program spon by Rosalee House offers counseling & support for battered & formerly-battered women: personal growth workshops &

employment workshops. Free! SF locations—close to BART & MUNI. Childcare & transportation assistance available. Info: Carmela or Jeanette 584-1163.
BANGLE, Bay Area Network of Gay & Lesbian Educators, meets 3rd Thurs of each month, 6:30 pm, 655 14th St, SF. Info: Rob 864-4099, Barbara 285-5078.
BANGLE East Bay meets 7-8:30 pm, 5030 Golden Gate Ave, Oakl. Info: 547-2200.
Peninsula Women's Group: a support & networking group for lesbians, meets every Wed at 7:30 pm, United Church of Christ on Arroyo St, San Carlos. For info/calendar, call Diane 349-5189.
Coming Out Support Group for Women. Drop-in. Thurs, 6-7:30 pm, Pacific Ctr, Berkeley. Info: 841-6224.
Bad Girls Rap Group spon by COYOTE. Any woman stigmatized on the basis of class, sexual orientation, activity or expression, etc is welcome. 3rd Wed of each month, 7:30-9:30 pm, Turning Earth Restaurant, 13 Columbus Ave, SF. Info: Gloria 232-7762 (leave message on machine, calls outside of Bay Area returned collect).
SFBay Area Phobia Society: help for phobia sufferers & their friends. Provides place to share feelings, goals, discuss progress. Info: 324-2630.
East Bay Lesbian Rap: fun, relaxed atmosphere—come make new friends! Tues, 8-9:30 pm at Pacific Ctr, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: Ana or Barbara 548-8283.
Gay Men's Support Group: SF location. Ongoing, self-lead group deals with a wide range of personal issues. Seeks new members open to sharing & working together in a structured setting. Info: Joel 387-2963.
Native American Lesbian Support Group—see Third World.
Racially Mixed Lesbians Support Group—see Third World.
Women with Sexually Ill or Disabled Partners: free support group. Discuss love, grief, joy, limit-setting, care-taking, lesbian location. Info: 547-7734.
Lesbian Diabetic Support Group, call 621-5645, eves.
Depression Support Group in the East Bay. All welcome. Warm, supportive, growth-oriented. No fee, donations accepted. Info: POB 146623, SF 94114-6623 or call Lori 658-3969.
Lesbian E-Support Group: East Bay Environmental illness support group. Info: MJ 536-7251, Mickey 843-2649, Maja 508-4283.
Sonoma Co Leathermen SM Support: Russian River group meets Thurs, 7 pm. Safe haven to discuss, share, meet. Bring non-perishable food to support the AIDS Food Bank. Info/location: (707) 887-2697.
Russian River SM Rap group meets in Forestville. Safe haven to discuss topics, share info. Call (707) 887-2697 or write PO Box 563, Forestville.
UC Berkeley Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc: see Social Groups.
Applied Meditation Support Group with Margo Adair: pool psychic resources to combat isolation, energize realities, strategize to attain goals. Info: 887-2697.
Lesbian E-Support Group: East Bay Environmental illness support group. Info: MJ 536-7251, Mickey 843-2649, Maja 508-4283.
Southern Women's Alliance: informal support group r. relocated progressive southern women. Monthly potluck. Good food & good company. New folks welcome. Info/location: Jeanne 891-9410.

THERAPY GROUPS

LOVE (Lesbians Overcoming Violence) short term therapy group for lesbians. Safe, confidential place to begin to talk about your violence. Info: Morgaine Wilder, MA 558-8357 or Brenda Lyon 864-1109.
Gay & Bisexual Men Who Batter: assistance & support for change in a safe, confidential place. Info: MOVE (Men Overcoming Violence) 626-MOVE.
Counseling for Battered Gay Men: is the hand that holds you in public the hand that strikes you in private? CUJAV (Community United Against Violence) offers free individual counseling & support groups for you. Call 864-3112, or 864-7233 (24-hr hotline).
Women's Institute for Mental Health: low-fee therapy for individuals & couples, women only. SL starts at \$10. Special services: group for lesbian incest survivors, drug & alcohol counseling (thru IRIS—outpatient only), women's occupational stress resource ctr. 264 Valencia St, SF. Open Mon-Fri 10 am-5 pm, eves by appt. Info: 864-2364.
Grif Healing Empowerment Group for those who are experiencing pain & loss from the end of a relationship. Safe, supportive environment to grieve & get your feet back on the ground. 8-wk group. Info: Anah L. Keller, MA 482-5218. Limited to 8 people.

Gay Men's Ongoing Psychotherapy Group: members, with professional guidance, support each other in building self-esteem, creating healthier relationships, & overcoming issues such as loneliness, depression, homophobia & emotional confusion. Longterm group, limited to 8 members. Meets Thurs, 7:30-10 pm \$100/month. Info: Dave Cooperberg, MA 431-3220 or Pedro Rojas, MA 841-9198.
Gay Men's Therapy Group: ongoing psychotherapy group for men. Work on intimacy, relationships, gay self-esteem. Meets Wed eves in SF—Noe Valley location. Info: Jim Fishman, LCSW, 330-8033.
Gay & Christian? Evangelical? Lesbian feminist therapist offers counseling for singles or couples on integrating sexuality & spirituality, relationship issues & more. Info: JoAnn Caetano 893-9400.
Lesbian Group for women who want to heal themselves from the wounds of growing up in dysfunctional families. Group led by experienced therapist. Info: 552-9388.
Disabled Lesbian Group for women with physical disabilities, hidden disabilities, chronic illness & chronic pain. Wed & Thurs at Operation Concern, WA, SL. Info: Ricki Boden or Daryl Goldman 626-7000 voicemail.
Gay Men's Disabled Group: are you a gay man with a physical/hidden disability? Isolated & in need of support/therapy? Call Tom Ossenbeck 626-7000 vty. Group held at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St, SF.
Applied Meditation/Intuitive Problem Solving group with Margo Adair. Pool psychic resources to support one another & create change. Info: 861-6838.
Coming Out Group for Women over 30, spon by Hobbie Robinson, MSW. Sun 4-6 pm, SF location. Info: 387-6094.
Individual Counseling for Lesbians who are or have been in a battering relationship. SL. Info: WOMAN, Inc. 864-4777.
Sexual Compulsive Group for gay men: an ongoing psychotherapy group for gay men whose sexual behavior is out of control. Monday eves at Operation Concern, SF. Info: Jim Fishman 626-7000.
Couples Group for Lesbians abused as children. Sat 9:30-11:30, SL, SF loc. Info: Morgaine Wilder, MA 558-8357, Ann Lingborne, MS 654-7907.
Women Survivors of Incest & Childhood Sexual Abuse: Longterm therapy (3 month commitment), day & evening groups. SF loc. Some indiv therapy avail. Info: Morgaine Wilder, MA 558-8357.
Grif Group for those who have lost a loved one thru suicide. Deal with feelings of anger, confusion, guilt. Find strength, support. Meets wky for 8 wks, lc therapist facilitates. Spon by SF Suicide Prevention. Info: 752-4866.
Women's Grif Support Group for relationship endings. Meets Thurs 5:30-6:45 pm, SF loc. Info: East Bay location: Ina Thana Christian, LCSW 547-1779.
Gay Men's Groups at Operation Concern: new 12-wk process group starts each month. Safe place to develop your interpersonal relating skills. Preliminary interview required. Info: Operation Concern 626-7000.
Lesbian Couples Therapy at Operation Concern. Offers lesbian relationship therapy—this can include lovers, ex-lovers, family or friends. Low fee, sliding scale. Med/Cal accepted. 1853 Market St, SF, WA. Info: 626-7000 vty.
Men's Group: wky group on self-esteem & relationships for gay men: meet them in meaningful ways, explore issues, get objective feedback, solve problems. Wed 9-9:30 pm, fee. Info/flier brochure: Adrian Bruce Miller, MS 346-2399.
Bisexual Men's Group: focus on relationship & communication issues, positive feedback regarding life choices & experiences as a bisexual person. Info: Ron Fox, MA, MFCC 751-6714.
Bisexuality: explore the issues. Women's support/therapy group or individual counseling. SL fee. Linda Sue Sundale, MFCC 334-3356.
Women's Therapy Group explores work, parenting, sexuality, living in a male world, being alone. \$25/session. Info: Margie Cohen LCSW, Stephanie Leonard MFCC 524-7066.
Home Counseling for Children of Lesbian/Gay Parents: Info: Monty Meyer, MS, MFCC, 824-5532.
Pre-Relationship Support Group for Men: wky mtgs in SF for relationship-oriented men who want to connect with a life partner. Info/location: David Klein, MA (in Counseling), 343-8541.
Lesbian Therapy Groups: work in depth on your own issues, personal power & autonomy. Thurs, 7-9 pm, \$20/session. SF location. Info: Mattie Rothschild Poor, PhD, LCSW, 626-7109.
Lesbians Who Love Too Much: group to explore obsessive attractions to painful, unfulfilling relationships & what you can do to recognize, understand & change the way you love. Info: Marilyn Girard, MFCC 843-2998.
Success Support Group for Gay Men who are having trouble achieving their goals. Think you're sabotaging your suc-

cess? Get professional guidance, receive valuable support & feedback while exploring ways to overcome your blocks to success. 10-wk groups. Thurs 7-9 pm, \$20/wk. Pre-group consultation (free) is required. Info: Bud Hinkle, MA 928-3848.
Gay Men in Our 40s & 50s: Challenge of mid-life: explore the changes in our bodies, goals, values & work experiences that come with mid-life. SL, SF accepted. Support/therapy group led by Hal State, MA. Info: 832-1254.
Lesbian Sex Workers: therapy group for lesbians working in the sex industry. Focus on issues of self-esteem, intimacy, relationships, money, health. Insurance accepted. Info: Les Halpern, LCSW, 863-7473.
New Relationships Group for gay men experiencing difficulty starting & developing & maintaining romantic relationships. Small group. Takes a practical approach to connecting with a partner. Info: Kevin Miller, MS, 826-8692.
"Beyond Survival": a creativity/therapy group for women. Explore & heal yourself through movement, art, humor, sound, ritual & more. SL. Info: Betsy Farber, MA 658-2234; Miriam Smolover 428-1512.
Drama Therapy Group: deal with stress issues, increase spontaneity, communication skills, self-esteem in a creative, playful way. Ongoing. fee. Info: Judith 528-0533 or Joel 431-5818.
Jewish Lesbians Abused As Children: 10-wk groups explore the myth that "it doesn't happen in nice Jewish families." 7:30-9:15 pm, Eastbay location. Info: Meryl Lieberman 849-4059.
Eating Disorders Support Group at Marshall Hale Hospital: free, ongoing group for individuals, families & friends of people with problems of anorexia nervosa, bulimia & compulsive overeating. Supportive environment to share concerns & experiences, as well as education. Led by professional staff from the Eating Disorders Program. 1st & 3rd Thurs of each month, 7:30-9:30 pm, Conference Room A, Marshall Hale Memorial Hospital, 3773 Sacramento St, SF. Info: 666-7856.
Gay Men's Ongoing Therapy Group: members support each other (with professional guidance) in building self-esteem, creating healthier relationships, overcoming personal issues (such as loneliness, homophobia, emotional confusion). Limited to 8 people. Thurs 7:30-10 pm. Info/fliers: Dave Cooperberg, MA 431-3220, Pedro Rojas, MA 841-9198.
Single Lesbian Whooop meets 2nd Sat of each month, MA. Day of structured exercises & group interaction on topics related to being single. SF location. Info: Zona Gregory, MFCC 592-9388.
Support Group for Twins: explore how being a twin affects relationships; help separate, gain a clearer sense of one's own identity. Individual counseling also available. Led by Anah L. Keller (also a twin). Info: 482-5218.
Meditation & Creative Counseling: non-judgmental, non-adversarial way to solve differences. SL fee, no insurance. Info: Lynn Scott, LCSW 826-3081.
Deliberate Self-Injury Group: support group for women who are self-cutters. Safe, supportive environment to explore feelings, experiences. Members encouraged to talk about the purpose & function of self-cutting in their lives. Because this group is not appropriate for women who are suicidal, all members required to have an already established, ongoing individual psychotherapy relationship. Info: Joyce Smith, MFCC; or Peg Morris at 647-2547.

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THEATRE

The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe

REVIEWED BY GENE PRICE

First the good news. *The Search*, winner of the 1986 Tony Award, the Outer Critics' Circle Award, and the Drama Desk Award for actor Tomlin, the New York Drama Desk and New York Drama Critics' Circle Awards for the play, and five Los Angeles Drama Critics' Circle Awards, has been held over at the Curran Theatre through Sunday, February 21.

There is no bad news. What irony that the most endearing, most caring, most understanding spokesperson for the American woman in the last quarter of the 20th Century is a New York bag lady serving as a self-appointed guide to a couple of visiting aliens searching our planet for signs of intelligent life. What further irony that what they discover is a series of identity crises of epic proportions!

First, the book. Jane Wagner's script for Lily Tomlin's overwhelming one-woman performance is probably the most insightful, witty, touching, constantly surprising, and brilliantly executed literary work of this era. Deceptively simple in concept, writer/director Wagner weaves a dazzling panorama of contemporary social history through the monologues of some twelve disparate characters. While most of them are unknown to each other, there is still cause and effect, culminating in a chance meeting at the end of the play. These are real people trying to connect, and Wagner has written their oral history with stunning compassion.

On stage there is a stool, a couple of chairs, some steps. Off stage there is the brilliant lighting of Neil Peter Jampolis and the dazzling sound effects (a creaking shopping cart, a zipper being zipped, a tissue being pulled out of a tissue box) of Debby Van Poucke.

Lily Tomlin's artistry is a breath-taking tour de force of personality changes. Squint-eyed, lurching from side to side, she is Trudy, philosopher bag lady of 46th and Broadway, N.Y.C. "I refuse to be intimidated by reality anymore. After all, what is reality, anyway? Nothin' but a collective hunch." Trudy's umbrella hat serves not only as a satellite dish to bring in her alien friends, it also permits her to tune into the soap opera episodes of the drama's other, mostly female, players.

Those other players include one called Lily who is appearing at the Plymouth Theatre and whose many cosmic worries include the thought that her audience may be composed of people who couldn't get tickets for the play they really wanted to see.

Tomlin then plunges head into a high energy confrontation with Agnus Angst, punk performance artist from Indianapolis. "I'm getting my act together and throwing it in your face." Couted in chains and zippers and a reflector flea collar, this teenage terrorist emits more than enough voltage to keep the garage door in a constant state of indecision.

Now a light cue whisks us to a Los Angeles health club, where unshilled job-seeker and seminar-freak Crissy combines aerobic exercises with self analysis. Having looked forward to learning how to be happy one day at a time, she has instead learned that "you can be miserable one day at a time." The health club itself has proffered false hope. "The good looking men here are mostly looking at



Jane Wagner and Lily Tomlin's collaboration yields a cast of tens.

themselves."

Next to Trudy, I was most taken with bored society woman Kate, a superbly delineated original. Bored to distraction, Kate has been waiting so long at her hairdresser's that "two new age spots have appeared." Last year she lost the tip of her little finger in a dreadful Cuisinart accident. This year she's having an affair. But not for long; "It's one thing to tolerate a boring marriage, but a boring affair does not make sense." In a later sequence, Kate reveals that she has found a suicide note on the sidewalk and, moved to pity for the writer, is unable to part with it. She carries it in her purse, along with her own note, explaining that in the event of her sudden demise, she is not a suicide.

We also meet Brandy and Tina, a couple of chatty, proud-of-their-profession Times Square prostitutes. Trudy, in passing, cannot resist asking them, "How's tricks?"

In the play's most extended sequence (a one-act in itself), we meet Lyn, a California feminist who wanted it all but settled for what she could get — a pair of hyperactive twins and

a sensitivity trained husband ("I think he faked an orgasm last night"). Through Lyn we relive the past two decades, the cliches and trends that paralleled the women's movement (body hair, vibrators, Cosmo burn-out, water beds, Geraldine Ferraro, consciousness raising, Gloria Steinem, TM, a short-lived lesbian affair which turns out to be, after Peter, just another oppressive relationship).

Along the way, Lyn meets and marries Bob ("the only man I've ever known who knew where he was when Sylvia Plath died"). Now in the second decade of women's lib, the demands of her career rip at the seams of her marriage. "It's hard to be politically conscious and upwardly mobile at the same time." Finally, she can bring herself to admit, "If I'd known what it would be like to have it all, I might have been willing to settle for less."

Through Lyn we come to know sexually active Marge, radical journalist Edie and her lover Pam (lesbian parents of a son sired by the miracle of donated semen and a turkey baster).

When a visit to her doctor elicits his opinion that she is suffering from nothing more than

premenstrual syndrome, Lyn accosts her doctor in weary exasperation: She's getting divorced... she's raising twin boys... she has to find a job... the ERA didn't pass... she's lost a dear friend... her husband's having an affair with a younger woman... "and you think it's my period and not my life?"

One by one the characters meet and interact. The web is woven until at the end, as in a Victorian novel, everyone is accounted for. A violinist prodigy (the turkey baster son) has just been acclaimed at his Carnegie Hall concert, while outside in the rain a bored rich woman achieves a humanistic breakthrough when she accepts the gift of an umbrella hat from a crazy bag lady who is engaged in conversation with two young prostitutes. This is poignancy without sentimentality.

Trudy's departing aliens may not have discovered much intelligence on this planet, but they take with them something more important than mere knowledge — the goose bump experience.

See *Search*. Achieve your own goose bump experience. You'll be a better person for it.

Search continues at the Curran Theatre, 455 Geary Street. Ticketron, major agencies, or charge by phone, 441-0919.

The Charlie Manson Story

REVIEWED BY RANDY TUROFF

The Dude Theatre and Climate production of *The Charlie Manson Story* was far out. The script, written by Paul Codiga and C.W. Morgan, was a flashback to the late '60s, when Manson and "The Family" were busy offing the pigs in southern California. The rest of the time they were doing drugs, eating squash and fucking each other.

That's what the play's about. Tex, Manson's hippie sidekick, comes onstage and is interviewed by the cynical blind poet who asks him to remember what happened. The kid is lacking memory cells and is fumbling around for recall. Face it, the poet bellows through the reverb box, you were just too fucked up on drugs to remember anything about what really happened in your life.

The play tracks through the meaningless melange of it all. There's the simulated hump and grind orgy, the sixties soundtrack, the teenage runaways, and the parallel straight nuclear family going through its own murder and barbecue rituals. All the superficial trappings were there, and the Dude Theatre managed to shape the whole amorphously perverse thing into a very entertaining farce. From Manson's first appearance as a deliberately overblown caricature of a madman, to the last fadeout frame of him munching on a carrot like Bugs Bunny, the audience was treated to a ridiculously funny cartoon version of the Charlie Manson story.

Everything was offensive about it. All the characters were rude and lewd, and of course, they were all either killers or accessories to one heinous crime or another. There was an awful lot of Jane suck Dick and Dick fuck Jane stuff going on, but in a way it read accurately. You could hear women in the audience quietly hissing beneath their breaths. But the mass hippie culture of the sixties was rather unevolved. This was before women's lib had effectuated any significant raise in consciousness. And gay consciousness was still largely stuck in back alley bars, loitering clandestinely behind abandoned warehouses after dark.

The teenage runaway's story was pretty good. It was long and boring and chock full

of guilt and insecurity behind the bravado of the on-the-road hobo heroism. It sort of amazes me to realize now how the youth culture, born from the post-W.W.II baby boom, was almost entirely pre-Saturn return. Like everyone was still attached to the stuff they hadn't yet worked out with their parents. Simulated family bonding, however twisted, filled the needs for security. Charlie Manson, as the ultimate hippie Big Daddy, took care of his dependents. He was like a god to his flock. As the character Patti, one of Charlie's main girls said, "There are the pigs and there's Charlie. And there's nothing in between."

There were essentially two plays going on simultaneously. The first play was about the Manson Family revving up for the Sharon Tate massacre. The other parallel play was about a straight nuclear family getting ready to lock up their drooling idiot son in the loony bin. The nuclear play was a comedy of manners, a total farce. Everyone knew that Chico Crooper, the son, had killed little Timmy Jinx down the block. This had become just too bothersome, because the Crooper family was now obligated to feed Mrs. Jinx every night when she came maniacally searching for little Timmy, inevitably stopping at the Crooper household at barbecue time. At one juncture, prior to Mrs. Jinx's arrival, the visiting anorexic daughter asks her mother directly, "Mother, did Chico kill Timmy?" Mrs. Crooper flippantly deflects the question and tells the daughter: "Don't be so extreme at the dinner table." The play rolls right along.

There was not a bit of compassion in this play and absolutely nothing of redeeming social value. It was thoroughly wicked. And yet somehow it was entertaining and actually quite funny. It was played as all-out black



Photo by C.W. Morgan



Rosie Lee Hooks (l) and Wally Taylor

comedy. The acting was good, the staging was very good, and the direction by Chris Brophy was astute.

The Charlie Manson Story offers no insights, no character analyses, no political overview, no judgments whatsoever. All you can really say is that the Dude Theatre succeeded in bringing to the stage that for which it is noted: "Television bigger than television."

Checkmates

REVIEWED BY GENE PRICE

A critically received dramatization of two Black marriages, *Checkmates*, unfortunately could not generate enough public interest to withstand competing attractions during its holiday run at the "off-Broadway" Waterfront Theater.

A co-production of Lorraine Hansberry Theater and the Los Angeles-based "Y" Not Productions, *Checkmates* examines the short-lived marriage of an upscale Black couple who cannot learn to sublimate professional competition to their obvious physical attraction to each other.

Other than an appreciation for the right clothes, wines, briefcases, cars and, yes, terrific sex, Laura and Syl's lifestyle is high on style, shy on life. Practically every conversation deals with the head-on collision of their careers and ends with a screaming match and slamming doors. Both are concerned with gorging at the banquet of success without going through the requisite steps of marketing, preparing and serving the food. Ron Milner's on-the-mark dialogue delineates today's upwardly mobile American couple with some masterfully funny and sad strokes.

Occupying the downstairs of the Detroit duplex are Frank and Mattie, a couple whose solid 45-year relationship has survived separation by war, early poverty, racial discrimination, domestic violence, and a couple of instances of infidelity. Masterfully acted by Wally Taylor and a poignant Rosie Lee Hooks, this couple makes a poignant statement about what it takes to make a marriage work: humor, respect, a deep sense of unselfish caring, and more humor. In a series of handsomely staged flashbacks, we see Frank and Mattie in teenage courtship, in early marriage, and at rocky intervals in middle age. We care about this couple because they are real people and they are survivors.

Mattie and Frank offer perfect counterpoint

to the self-centered Laura and Syl. By interweaving scenes between the couples, the playwright skillfully reveals attitudes separating the generations and then, in alternating dialogues between the two women and the two men, he reveals further insightful attitudes based on sexual mores.

In performances that are almost too energized for comfort, Rhett Greene and Tom W. Jones II play Perrier-sipping Laura and wheeler-dealer, macho Syl. As directed by Woodie King, Jr., they come on so strong (exhibiting considerable pelvic grinding) that their characterizations have little space for development. Both young actors are accomplished and attractive, and I only wish I could have cared for their characterizations as much as I cared for their older generation counterparts. Author Milner allows this modern couple to go their separate ways at the play's end, and wisely does not suggest a future reconciliation.

The very fine two-level set was by Virgil Woodfrock, and costumes were by Alela Farmer. It's a pity this worthwhile production did not get the audience it deserved. A future revival would not be remiss.

Chinese Magic Circus

REVIEWED BY GENE PRICE

You want feats of derring-do? Magic to dazzle your very eyes? Dancing lion dogs? Pyramids of brilliantly costumed dancing girls? A pile of bricks that are neatly divided by a kung fu slice as they are balanced on a young man's head?

You want to see the Chinese Magic Circus, playing for just three more days at Theatre On The Square.

A family affair, this traveling Taipei troupe visits San Francisco each holiday season. Members of the Hai family begin formal training in dance and acrobatics at age four, and by the time they are 14 they are throwing themselves blindfolded through hoops of flaming knives, swinging by their hair 15 feet in the air, and bending steel rods with their neck muscles.

There are chopstick dances, ribbon dances, traditional balancing acts, and a number of sight-boggling specialty numbers. Even as you watch, you don't quite believe your eyes. One young woman squeezes herself into a plastic box that looks about 24 inches square; a sword swallower inserts three swords down his throat

and follows this act by inserting a long, electrified bulb down his throat. Through his unbuttoned shirt front we watch it glowing brilliantly inside his body.

A unicyclist circles the stage with a spike in his mouth on which he catches and impales lemons thrown at him from the audience. A young woman lays down on a bed of cracked glass and a bed of nails is placed across her abdomen. One man then lays across the nails as a second man stands atop this couple and plays "You Are My Sunshine" on a bamboo flute. He is accompanied vocally by the woman on the bottom. Impressive. Yes, and a little bizarre, too.

One of the Hai brothers — the young one with charisma to spare and a delightfully mocking sense of humor — then constructs a ladder of 10 wooden chairs balanced on four champagne bottles. At the top, inches from the theater's ceiling, he does a one-handed handstand.

And that's enough bedazzlement to last me until they come back next Christmas.

Chinese Magic Circus, through February 3, at Theatre On The Square, 450 Post, SF; 433-9500.

The Rivals

REVIEWED BY GENE PRICE

The always-dependable Berkeley Repertory Theatre, which started off its season with three O'Neill plays, has revived *The Rivals*. Written when Richard Brinsley Sheridan was 23, this 200-year-old satire on the manners and morals of the English leisure class is more wittily mannered than moral.

It's all about young love, confused identities, and the determination of youth to outwit the machinations of their elders. So what's new? Set in 1775 at Bath (where the waters were claimed to protect the rich against rheumatism, gout, colic, scurvy, palpitations, piles, and infertility), *The Rivals* has given us one of the theatre's great comic characters, Mrs. Malaprop. Pure delight to the eye and ear, Malaprop is played with delicious hauteur by Barbara Oliver, whose every utterance sounds so very logical — even in such pronouncements as "men are such Bavarians."

As the guardian of heiress Lydia Languish (Molly Maycock), Mrs. Malaprop is arranging a marriage between her charge and Captain Absolute (David Croxton), son of Sir Anthony Absolute (Patrick Tull). Unfortunately, Lydia, romanticizing the idea of poverty and determined to thwart her aunt, has fallen in love with Ensign Beverly and plans to elope with him. But what Lydia doesn't know is that poor Beverly is, in reality, the rich and socially acceptable Captain Absolute, son of the pompous, blustering Sir Anthony.

Not content to let well enough alone, author Sheridan has also populated his stage with a number of subplots involving a greedy maid, Luch (Delia MacDougall), a servant, foppish Fag (Charles Dean), another set of lovers, Julia and Faulkland (Demetra Pittman and James Carpenter), a middle class bumpkin aspiring to upper society, Acres (Jeffrey Bihl), Sir Lucius O'Trigger (Jarion Monroe), and a coachman and servant (both nicely portrayed by Ken Grantham).

For all its charm and wit, *The Rivals* is overlong, and some judicious paring of the comic buffoons and the secondary set of lovers would have benefitted this otherwise delightful production. (One cannot, however, fault the acting or the direction.)

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for her time, Lydia has a voracious appetite for novels from the circulating library (some sound rather salacious) and gives every evidence of becoming in time a shrewish wife. But perhaps this latter indication was only Ms. Maycock's unbending interpretation of the role. Actor Croxton had not much to do except suffer the whims of his intended and look handsome, not a very difficult task.

But acting honors go to Oliver and Tull. Whether she is simply entering a room, panniers of her expansive gown gathered to her bosom, or twisting the English language beyond exegesis, Oliver as Mrs. Malaprop is superb. Her description of Julia as "headstrong as an allegory on the banks of the Nile," is delivered with sincere conviction. Later, as she reads the play's epilogue, she modestly asks the audience for "a standing ovulation."

Patrick Tull mutters, sputters, and borders on apoplexy in a marvelous characterization of a family man who rules with thunderous voice and iron glove.

The musical score was by Stephen LeGrand and Eric Drew Feldman; lighting was by Dan Kotlowitz; the handsome quick-change sets were by Sam Kirkpatrick. Also starring were a collection of beautifully designed costumes by Kirkpatrick. Anthon Taccone, director, has done himself proud — again.

The Rivals plays through January 30, Berkeley Repertory Theater, 2025 Addison Street; 845-4700 or STBS, Union Square.

The Addams Family

REVIEWED BY GENE PRICE

The holiday season is the perfect time for a trip down Memory Lane, and the One Act Theatre is offering just that. Simon Levy has conceived and adapted two segments of television's popular "Addams Family" for the stage. He has faithfully maintained the attitudes of the original, choosing not to comment on this 20-year-old pop icon, but simply offering a nostalgic recreation of this normal monster family in its daily routine. True, a Christmas theme has been tacked on, and it only adds to the fun when Gomez kisses Morticia under the hemlock.

There's not much wit in *The Addams Family*, just simple sit-com one-liners and sight gags to make the audience sigh with the pleasure of recognition: Lurch squeezing Uncle Fester's head in a vise to relieve his headache; the disembodied servant's hand, Thing, popping out of its box to answer the phone; Morticia wrapping her Christmas gifts in chic black; the mounted swordfish with the leg sticking out of its mouth; and supercharged Fester lighting the Christmas tree (a long-dead branch) by plugging the lights into his mouth.

It's all there in Barbara J. Mesney's period set and the costumes of Gael Russell and Esther Fishman — like flipping through the page of a Charles Addams cartoon collection. And for a special finger-snapping treat, we are provided with the original theme music by Vic Mizzy. This is the curtain raiser "turn on" for Addams Family aficionados.

Morticia is played by Mary Hopeman in a manner that lacks the remembered archness of the original. Suave, hot-blooded Gomez is given a nice, self-mocking interpretation by Dennis Barnett. Hairy, babbling cousin Itt is Christina Arteles. Carol McElheney is Grandmama, who has little to do except pass through on her way to a bubbling cauldron in the kitchen. Don McMillan is the towering, monosyllabic Lurch, and Joe Paulino is Uncle Fester. (Paulino, awarded by the writer with most of the punch lines, was off in his timing the night I visited the Addams'. He delivered most of his "toppers" several seconds after the



Joe Paulino as Uncle Fester

laughs should have hit home. He is, nevertheless, delightfully other-worldly, as he chomps away on the tongue depressors and thermometer proffered by the examining doctor.) Normal Hall is the Guru in Act One and Doctor Milford in Act Two. Terry Lamb plays guest Francois Challnon.

Not exactly a laugh riot, slow in spots, but still a whimsical, affectionate recreation of the original.

The Addams Family plays at the One-Act Theatre, 430 Mason Street, SF, through January 17; call 421-6162.

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disability, lesbians of color, cancer, and environmental illness. These are sponsored by the Lesbian Health Organizing Committee, a new group including representatives from WCRC, Operation Concern, and the Human Rights Commission. Funding comes from Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights and the Golden Gate Business Association.

Winnow's own experience with the disease began in the summer of 1985, when she was diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 38. She had already found a lump through self-examination and visited many doctors and clinics. They told her to do no more than "watch it." A mammogram (x-ray examination of the breast) showed nothing. But the lump in her breast felt suspicious to her, so she persisted and found a doctor who would perform a needle biopsy.

She clearly recalls the evening she received the results. "I was staffing the Lesbian/Gay Advisory Committee where I'd spent the entire evening talking about AIDS, which is fine with me, only I was sitting there waiting for these biopsy results about my breast. I felt we weren't, in our community, taking care of all of our health needs, and that was not in any way to belittle what we needed to do around AIDS, but we needed to expand ourselves out," she says.

"If one in three people gets cancer, that means one in three lesbians is going to get cancer and one in three gay men is going to get cancer." When she got home, her surgeon called to say she had cancer. Statistics showed one in 11 women would get breast cancer then. Already the rate has risen to one in 10, and Winnow says it's rising even faster in the Bay Area. Meanwhile, the survival rates for breast cancer have remained about the same since 1930.

After frantically studying the options, Winnow decided to have a lumpectomy (removal of the tumor, plus about an inch of tissue around it) rather than a mastectomy (removal of the whole breast). This was followed by six weeks of radiation treatment.

One of the hardest aspects of having cancer

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Meeting Salome Jens

INTERVIEW BY RANDY TUROFF

Salome Jens has been working as a professional theatre artist for 27 years. In New York she was with the Lincoln Center Repertory Company under the direction of Elia Kazan. She has originated numerous roles on Broadway, including the leading lady in Arthur Miller's *After The Fall*. She's been on Broadway, off Broadway, in association with The Actors Studio in L.A. for many years, and she's done Shakespeare, television and films. Currently she's in the process of directing a film at the American Film Institute.

Jens was in San Francisco recently to promote a solo production which she will be performing at Life on the Water called *...about Anne*. The play is a staged enactment of the life of Anne Sexton, as seen through her poetry. *...about Anne* received excellent reviews both in New York and in Los Angeles, where it previewed.

I met Salome Jens in the lobby of Life on the Water and conducted the interview to the background sound of the early stage crew setting up for the current show in progress. We sat at a small cafe table in half-light with the tinkling sound of carnival music sifting from backstage. Salome is 52, and quite stunning. She's every bit an actress: the control, the extraordinary voice, the pleasing appearance. Her natural aura is one of unusual humility and a passionate openness to life. We spoke at length about the life of a theatre artist, about women's artistic visions, about Anne Sexton, the romanticism of madness, alcoholism and addiction in the arts and in Jens' own life, the spiritual search for meaning, aging, and the nitty gritty of acting, writing, and producing new women's roles within and above the patriarchal production system.

I asked Jens what prompted her to put together and produce the script *...about Anne*. "What is your fascination with Anne Sexton? Why have you chosen to resurrect her?"

(Jens:) I'm not resurrecting Anne Sexton. I'm mirroring her. I'm mirroring her creativity, her celebration of life. I know there are people who see her as depressed, sort of morbid but...

(Coming Up!) Well, she did commit suicide.

So what! She was an addict and an alcoholic. I mean, her drawers were just full of pills. I think that's what moved her towards suicide. Having been an alcoholic myself, and I'm now in 7 years of recovery, I so identify with the process and the progression of the disease in the poems. I wouldn't do the very later poems, because the disease was so progressed that she was no longer there. Something else had happened, and the addiction had taken over. You look at the earlier poems, with the search for a spiritual life, the poems I'm addressing, and you see her powerful middle period when she's hoping and searching, and also totally honest.

But what do you say about a spiritual search that ends in suicide?

She didn't handle the addiction. She never rose above it, but the spiritual search was there. What I did, was I got to handle my addiction. The spiritual progress followed. You can't live your spirituality while you're addicted. You can't cure depression with depressives, it just depresses and denies feelings. Alcoholism is a cumulative disease, physical as well as emotional. It took its toll on her life and work. Her descriptions of this state of being of the alcoholic are phenomenal. It's poetry that is



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How does *...about Anne* differ from a poetry reading? Have you done poetry before?

...about Anne is staged. It's acted. You know, music, lighting, drama. Her poetry is dramatic. It's based on events and circumstances. So you live the cast of characters through the events. I live the daughter, I live the husband, and then I live also with the audience. It's creating the events of her life, out of which the words come. It's not just reading poetry in a beautiful voice. I mean, when I do "Stringbean," the daughter is really there for me. I'm talking to the daughter. I'm creating the moment of interaction between them, living in the dramatic event.

I had done poetic theatre, Shakespeare and poetic material, but not pure poetry. I'd never actually been alone on a stage before, talking to an audience without my cohorts and a whole play behind me. It was frightening in the beginning. Something new, it's very exciting.

What made you turn to solo performance?

When I started working on *...about Anne*, I was confronting an awesome moment in my life. I had suddenly grown up. I realized that I had always depended upon others to create the roles for me to play, whether it was my agent, my manager, the personal relationship in my life. Artists have a way of waiting for someone else to offer them the opportunity to create their art; instead of taking the power in-

to their own hands, they wait for someone else to provide them with the next step.

I wanted to be able to be responsible for my own vision. I suddenly saw how simple it was: you do the homework, you take the action, and you bring it out there, then the miracles happen. It's about being willing to take the risk, trusting it will come together if you feel passionately about it. Other people fall in; once you've made the commitment, your energy carries it through. Which is stunning to me. I never realized it worked that way.

It took me a long time to grow up. The generation I came out of, still carrying my mother's beliefs, made my options feel limited, you know, the woman's role and all. At 52, I know something more. The more you know about yourself and your personal power, the more energy you have to carry it through. I know what it is that I don't know. I know what I don't have to know. All I have to do is to be willing to learn what it is that I need to know.

What do you think are the particular contributions that women's visions can offer?

The way we hold our relationships. A whole new patience and a whole new communication about relationships. There's so much confusion. We don't know how to talk to each other. I think it's the inside job that needs to get handled and talked about. It's an understanding of self-love: that if I can accept who this is, who I am, whatever you do is phenomenal to me, I don't have to push my judgments. It's the inner journey, then into the spiritual, then

into the you and me that has to be gone through and spoken about.

Women are way ahead in this, women are more spontaneous in the way they can express what's happening. You see, women can recognize that the emperor has no clothes, and they can say it. Men have more difficulty facing the truth because of the way history has taught them to deny the truths of feelings and emotions. We must all be willing to experience out the denials. Women are much more willing to be in the forefront of that, and we're learning to stop waiting in order to express what's really happening to us.

A woman as an artist gets to confront the "nowness" of her life. That's the value she has, to share her journey artistically. It's a journey of aging. I know that I don't want to feel useless as I grow into my later years. There's a lesson. I want my years to be creative. I won't buy into the incredible thought that we lose the value of our creativity at any time. That thought is a dumb thought, and it's very solid in our universe. So, as I'm aging, I'm getting to destroy that myth. And I'm in the process of doing it, for myself.

Women have to support women's visions. A lot of women give lip service to that, but they don't realize it. Particularly when they do get into the world, they begin to play men. They buy into the game. So there we are. What we have to do is to support each other. When you have the opportunity out there in the universe to be in charge, hire other qualified, talented women. It's happening, it's beginning. And men are also becoming more willing to support women's art.

What about a pure untranslated lesbian vision that is anti-patriarchal by its very nature? Do you think there are really men out there willing to produce it?

I don't think so. But women are. The point is that if it's a knock of the male system, politics without compassion, it cannot work anyway. If it's a human truth, it's universal.

I was involved in a play about the Austro-Hungarian Empire. There was an important and explicit homosexual relationship between two men in the script. The play turned out to be a failure precisely because the director, who was homosexual, was unable to direct the actors to portray the love scene between the two men with any real depth of feeling. The human content of the relationship was lost, and it just dropped into historical fact. The play never made it because the actors and the director didn't have the courage to show the truth. A play which is divinely inspired, no matter who writes it, shows the truth of the human condition. It goes beyond sex. It's more than just a political statement. It tells a truth.

What is the market like for actors now?

Ninety percent of the (Screen Actor's) Guild members make \$5,000 or under a year. The life of a theatre artist is difficult; you've got to know how else you can manage to survive in the world. Fortunately I found that I could be a good teacher. I've been teaching for twelve years. The money I make from my theatre work varies, depending on the production, but it's never made me rich. If I weren't doing theatre, things connected to the art of acting, I'd be in the streets! Really, it's all I can do and I thank God for it. So many talented people just give up. For me it would be like giving up the passion for life itself.

It was back to life in the streets. The carnival-like background music had been turned up. The stage lobby was filling with milling people and our conversation had run its natural course. Salome asked me a bit about myself. We exchanged informalities and then she was off scurrying for a backstage peek at the space which would soon become hers for the duration of *...about Anne*.

...about Anne with Salome Jens opens on January 20th at Life On The Water at Fort Mason.

JOHNSON'S RAGG

BY RANDY JOHNSON

It's never too late to let people know that you appreciate them — especially in this day and age — there are a lot of people that deserve a little praise, and one that doesn't get enough is unique in all the world; she had a birthday on the first day of winter, and may she celebrate a whole lot more. Who am I writing about? That good woman from the Community Thrift Store who makes you feel good — no one else but Doris Woody. To know her is to love her — right Mama? Many happy returns — and thank you 4 everything.

I went to St. Paulus Lutheran Church for Thanksgiving, and was very impressed — Tessie would be proud. Darlene was snapping pictures, Tom Weber was greeting, Sable was there, as was Lily St., — who was lookin' good. Ah! Richard — ah! Lily! You do nothing but improve in every which way. I hope this city realizes just how righteous you are.... Rumor Hazzit Dept.! (or, Spreading and Stirring Shit)...Polack is living in the sky, as is Chris Sherman, and...no, not together.... Is Men Behind Bars going the way of Minsky's? As Billy Settles would say, "Remember, Kamp — Deer — Camp!..." Daryl Glied's obituary was written by a 65-year-old.

Well, everyone predicted this — and Here I Go, eating crow — but I have to thank Dick Cook from the Stallion for doing me a favor. And he did it with no questions asked. Sub-

consciously I knew we were friends — but wouldn't admit it until now. But then we do go back a few years! Duz 1010 Bryant ring a bell? Thank you, Mr. Cook...or are you Dolly? Dale, Randy Humphries, and Richard Harry predicted this too — those know-it-alls!... And I'm not playing pinball with Big R or Baseball Bobby anymore, either. They beat my butt everytime — everytime! But I will go junkin' with Big R anytime, or to the International House of Pancakes as well!

You know the Cinch Bar and the New Bell Saloon have never looked better. The blame? The swampers. Keep up the good work, Papa Bruce and Colonel John — and those hot dogs for the 49er games at the Bell are yummy in the tummy, Mummy.... Hey, Trixi Lynn, I'm glad things are going well for you. See you at the Bell, but will come down to Sutter's Mill to see how you do it downtown — you hear me?... Did you know Kim Corsaro doesn't water her plants in the kitchen? Now you do!... Hey Polack, Nancy's hair looks grrreat!... When I worked at Logan's and the 222 Club, I was inducted into a hi-class organization called "Twisted Sister" — Big D, Dingy Don, amongst others, all were members, with a few more select few. The originator of the club and one of the best singers around (you must've heard him at Glide!), Jack _____, finally succumbed to the illness that he fought for the



Photo by Pink

Owners Jon (l) and Char at the Kokpit.

longest time — may he R.I.P.... Can you believe the cops buzzin' Dore Alley? Good grief! They closed all of our after-hour palaces — sent us back to the streets, only to be bugged by the men in blue. No happy medium here. I know — next time they do that I'll get a group of copsuckers to keep them occupied while we breathe the fresh air and mind our own business.

Paul Ruehl-A-Lenska, who is back East for the holiday, sure was visible at the Cinch's Tavern Guild meeting. Thanks to Tony for the great feast of lasagne.... The Kokpit (hi,

group) is having their gift boxes, which will be hanging about the bar, numbered — they in turn will be sold to the highest bidder for charity, of course.... While at the New Bell on Christmas, with some grrreat food, they drew for ornaments from their classic tree.... Theatre Rhinoceros at 2926 16th Street, SF 94103, is readying for 1988 by saving you some money to see some great talent in choice plays. Call the Box Office, 861-5079 or their business number 552-4100, for the tea.... Home Video Marketplace is the latest thing for shopping. For anything. Information can be had at

800-332-1900, toll free!

What's this? My old co-whort, fellow emcee, ex-roommate, and brother under the weather? We can't have that — who would I bitch to? Get well, and stay well to the BAR's southern Scandals writer, sometimes known as Emperor I, A.N. — Mr. Marcus, aka my friend Gil.... To the Cable Car committees: be sure you check out the Covered Wagon on Folsom (Hi Grant! Hi Shirley!). Their Christmas decorations put you in the spirit. Check 'em out, OK? Thanx.... The rumors I've been hearing — and these are just rumors — are Deena Jones, Lily Street and Vinnie Russell plus Billy Ray, Lee Theobadeaux (Leona), and Stanley Boyd (from The Mint) so far. For what, you may ask? Oh no ya' don't. Me thinks you know. Oh! Add the name Steve Rauscher, late of the GGBA.

Ooops! In the last paper I put that the Cinematchine — Circle J — Hal Call's pride and joy, was on Jones. Wrong — it istabee. It is, of course, on Ellis, between Jones and Taylor. A good friend of ours works there as well — he of the dry and wry wit, and I used to work at the End Up together. Of course, I mean Lonnie.

Ain't it good to see John Wise from the Gangway looking so good? And he's improving daily! He (like me, that's we (oui)) has had his share of bad luck, especially in the health dept. His voice was certainly a concern to all his customers, but all is well. Happy New Year, John, and Papa Joe, Roger, Page (a grrreat person), Daryl, Stuart (or iz that Stewart), Chris and the whole famn family. I hear tell a lot of Lithuanians hang out there — that's thweet!... A happy belated birthday to two very different men: to my good friend and neighbor, Bob, and to Freddie/Frederick — a good customer of us bartenders, from the Ramshead to the Stallion and points in between!... Nancy's back at 765, our House Mother returneth.... A gracious birthday party held at Teresa's Bus Stop Restaurant on Dec. 12 was for the memory and spirit of Vanessa. Thanx to Teresa, Alan and all her friends and family, of which there are plenty. She was well-liked, and it's not the same without her. She's missed.... A Stay-Well to two (to-too-tu-tu) of the good guys on Polk Strasse. It seems the New Bell's manager, Lincoln, is having those problems again with his asthma...and the little big man from across the street, Reflections' star swamper Frankie June Mae Ruth Sue Ellen (he drinx screws, ya' know) is fighting a bout of pneumonia...and mentioning Reflections has me thinking of, wishing well to, and wondering just how Jack South is. I wish this rare man nuttin' but the deserved best and Happy 1988 to him as well.

The Alamo Square Saloon is shining brightly again with a plus, the Odds and Ends Cafe — Go!... A big thank you to Dicker (and Dicker of Beverly Hills). He be the power behind the throne in all of Hans Bars. I appreciated the favor, but I can't believe Molly has not seen Dicker — in quite awhile. Hmmm.... Dick Cook, who is now wearing glasses, assured me that Dolly Dale's cold is better. I was afraid to ask about the cure! Urine like Flynn.... In I go to the Stallion to take care of some business with Tricky Dicky and there, on a Sunday afternoon, is Candi-Del-Ray (lookin' good, Mama!) I couldn't help but overhear her conversation concerning her and a guy named Dick, who was 10 inches. A midget, or is that vice versa?... Margie, Jerry Jay, Richard, Mar, Leona, Dingy Don, Lincoln, Gary (Bell), who all on one little Sunday, without hesitation, did me a favor. I thank them.... Kenny Campaign, the a.m. bartender at the Stallion, tells me his wombmate, the no account countess of Cedar Alley — (who is lookin' good) did some no-nos at the Strand Theatre, where she — ah, er...he — said yes, yes! Shame, shame; everybody knows your name. Good to see you.

On Dec. 19, a loss to our community and

others (Portland, for example) will be noticed for a long long time. The Kokpit will be just a little more quiet as well, and the holidays make this loss felt that much more. Rose I, II, III 1/2 of Portland is no longer here; she's reigning over a much bigger place now. It's good to know that she died peacefully in her sleep, so no suffering prevailed. I knew her, I worked for her (remember the Archway on Geary?) and I liked her — she was a camp. No, she was a fort; the camps, in Rose's case, were closed. She volunteered, and offered her help and advice when needed and asked. Rose will definitely be missed. Condolences to her family and her many, many friends. She was one of a kind, and did not take any bullshit. With Rose we always knew where she was coming from.... Oh sure, the Record House on Larkin is still there, and going right well, thank you!... John Dowdy now lives in Russian River. Duz this mean a long distance romance with Char? When R-U going to invite me up? I need to get away!... So in I go, it's late and raining, and I was just passing by the Locker Room Bookstore (just to observe, you understand), and lo and behold someone in a booth turns on a movie. A voice that sounds familiar from the video?! Could it be? Yep! Mine! They were playing the End-Up's Jockstrap Flick *J. Brian's Flashbacks*. I did it for about ten years following Paul (Luscious Lorelei) and Dennis (Vera Charles), with a cast consisting of Lady Rona, John Argenta, Dick Johnson, Muffy, Bucky, Gina, Shelly, Jerry Semas, and John Lamantia (the Diamond in the Rough...another familiar voice in another flick. Oh no! Yep!), and Jim Bonko (big, beautiful bouncing Bette Bonko), who has done a lot of voice-overs, and announcing for a number of movies. We're everywhere — beware!... I was sorry to read about John J. Pasquale. May he R.I.P. — he is missed.... While in the Mission, take a break in the Esta Noche — a sure bet!... Flowers? Sure, Birmingham's Florist at 1214 Sutter should do the trick. They're good — real good!... Security Mailbox at 1550 CA (775-6245) is only \$15 per month. A box rental and private message service is what they offer.... The Community Thrift store is constantly improving, serving your favorite projects and charities, at 625 Valencia. I love my penguins, Doris and Doug. Thanx!

Good news (for a change) is that Minnie (Dick Gershbach) is getting progressively better, probably because he had Rome as the head nurse (or is that vice versa?), making him well. Rome'll make you feel pretty chipper when you pay him a looksee at Gallagher's Gold Room on Geary.... By the way, I vow not to be a snob? Ignore Eddie when I see him in any bar, or wherever! Or Jerry — I don't mean to be stuck-up — I'm loaded!

A happy belated birthday to Yadi Yadi's better half and partner — Mr. Packard, a young 84 years old.... It seems that one of the remaining San Franciscan M/C members stole her/his name from Ernest Hemingway, yet. Brett or Lady Brett is who I mean. In his case, it's the Son Also Rises! Ava Gardner he ain't.... Ah! I remember the San Franciscans when they were the club. Hi Randy Lomas!... A special holiday greeting to *Coming Up!*'s official greeter who gets more bull ka-ka from me, only because no one else is around, than he deserves. This is a special holiday for him because his pride and joy, his nine-month-old son, is having his first Christmas. A great kid has John and his fiancé Kimothy. The son's name is Alex, and what a head of hair he has!... Thanx to *Coming Up!*'s J.D. Taylor for submitting "You Had to Be There" as a name for this column, but my "old" pal, Randy Humphries, Dowager Closet Queen, who works at the SF Eagle, is the winner of the \$100 to go where he sees fit to fight AIDS. The winner of what? Of the name, the gnu name, of this gossip column, which is now called Johnson's Ragg (mop). Very clever. Tony

Lasagne sent in the First Runner-Up name: Randy's Round Table — I also liked Randolph's Rhetoric (in case I wanted to get snooty). You're too much, T.L. — capishe? Don't forget our brunch date! Randy Humphries, please get in touch with me — or I'll try to catch you to finalize this. And congratulations, and thanks!... Attention *Coming Up!* Could we get the bold type like we used to when a name or business is mentioned in my column? And the Cinch at 1723 Polk St. 776-4162, and the Stud Video across from the Folsom Gulch would like our papers please...and thank you! It is best to remember people: in this case,

a friend, not for what you see, but for what's inside. They should match. In this case, they did. Daryl Glied is rid of his troubles now — but boy oh boy what a fighter he was — which is not surprising. What a cheerful outlook he had through the years, as well. His family, his friends, his confidante Tony Lasagne, can all now get their lives back in some sort of order, feeling pretty good because they knew Daryl and saw him through his difficulties, making them a little easier. Tony and Rome saw to it that Daryl's last wishes were fulfilled. He's still with us — in spirit. I'm glad I knew him. Did

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you know he was one of the first Tavern Guild presidents? Well, now you do! My favorite memory of him is when I was working at the House of Harmony with Tony, Robin, Carlos and Dingy Don (watta group — we had a ball!) — Daryl would come in, pick me up (literally), put me on his shoulders, head for the door, and drop me in the street! Yes, people stared, and I was without anything to say — this was a habitual occurrence from that little devil and his muscles (he must've got mine — muscles, that is!). And, yes, Tony's hangin' in there — capiche? Cool — ciao — end of rap!

So, I'm off on a toot, and had a good old time with a friend, who just happens to be a bartender at the Castro Station. Oh, that Russ. He is as nice as he looks. And he looks good — so we did our time together, and off for more frivolity I go. Lo and behold, who do I run into (I won't say where, kids) but Sissy Space Out, Ronny Lynn, and David! Why is it the happily marrieds pig out? Leave something for us singles, OK? My lips are sealed, kids — honest! Really now!

Who's on first?... At the Motherlode on Tuesdays — nite time — is amateur night. Billy Carter, who has a good singing voice, bartender at the Stallion, entered about a month ago and came in third — after a guitar and a pantomime number — one never knows — do one?... In my last column, I didn't really hit all the movie, book or play areas. For instance, the T-Room Theatre on Eddy can be hot, as it can be on Jones St. Just between you and I — at night (be careful) between Polk and Larkin and Polk and Van Ness. The Civic Center Park Garage, and here'n'there in that area is cruisy. But you should be on guard, your adrenalin duz flow. Who'd a thought!

It's full circle!... Stop pickin' on Kim Corsaro: she lets you do your thing — why not let her do hers? She's really an A-OK person who is far above being treated shabbily. Get to know her — she's amazing. That ad, "We're not Coming Up, we're already there!" is tack-ee. There's a double meaning in those two words, Coming Up. We are constantly improving, as you can see for yourself. Hence, Coming Up means dates, functions, news in the day, week, month and year to follow. That's dates that are coming up — capiche? Aren't we really supposed to be in this together? Together: a frightening word that certainly needs a little practice. It's like what Grande Ma Mere Jose was saying long before it became vogue. Call it a premonition if you like; it's vital now as it was way back when, especially now with this curse upon us. "Divided we fall, one by one, but united (together) we stand." Got it? Get it! Good!

B.B.B.B.B. — Jim Bonko — attention! You rascal you! I'm sorry to report to you that my subscription to the magazine *Plain Truth* has run out — finally! (Why tell him about it? Oh! Ask anyone.) That man is warped at times — it's only your basic sick (sic) sense of humor — butt, to (two-to-too-tu-tu) know (no-noe) him (hymn) is 2 love him! I'm glad to report that the store is alive and well, and from me personally it looks mahrrvalous, darling, simply marvelous!... Bitz 'o info — or, some useless Kamy Facts: on Jan. 7, Robert Duncan was born in Oakland in 1919. He was the first poet to use the word Cocksucker in print.... On Jan. 31, in Huntsville, Alabama, in 1902, actress Tallulah Bankhead was born. She once found herself in a public john without any toilet paper, reached in her purse, and said to the feet in the stall next to her, "Do you have two fives

for a ten, darling?".... Of the 121 prostitutes picked up by police on Hollywood, CA's, Sunset Strip over a 36-hour period, 66 turned out to be drag queens.... Sheena Easton's ex-husband, Sandi, has been touring England as a female impersonator!... It was Boy George who said when he was arrested for drugs, "I'm a drag addict, not a drug addict." What's long and green and smells like a pork butt? Kermit the Frog's finger. I know, get the hook!

What's that? Mark and Marvin (M&M) are no longer together? Aw! That gets me right in the knee!... Margo, I mean Lady(?) Margo, the poet, is a rare flower who gives and cares for her friends. She gets her troubles aside and helps you with yours. She may need an escort home, tho! And whine? (I wonder if that means she's a whine-o?) Dew luv U — red!... Well, Joey, our new Miss Cowgirl — you finally did it. Congratulations — see you at the 222. And Cathy, you were a great cowgirl. You're A-OK!... Get ready kids — Black Beauty is re-joining the Tavern Guild. Yours is due (dew-do) too!... Margie plays good pool, and makes good chocolate cake!... A happy belated birthday to (how now) Frau Schneider.... Hey, Norma Jean, happy holiday 2-U, Miss U-2. Hi Lee! Hi John! Thanx 4 the card.... It's Comedy Night at the El Rio every Wednesday. To perform, call 282-3325 in advance. This is your dive.

Hope it was a happy birthday to one of the good guys — the man of many titles — David, Stella, etc., from the SF Eagle on his birthday.... I overheard something really nice in a bar the other night and I thought I'd pass along what I heard, 'cause it concerns a friend of all of ours. They said Karl's calendar by Deidre is always correct and right on top of things. Word of the mouth, remember, is the best kind

of advertising.... People I wonder about and hope they're OK: Lennie Lynn, Richard (Bawbwa from Boston) Newell, Michael (Jane Doe) Nameth, George Rolle, Jack South, Mark Alan Holland, Dallas (Frolic Room) Chuckles, Carrie Snow, Wayne Newby — My Seester Meester, John Warren, Moriz, amongst others.... Happy Belated birthday to Walter Koalsky. Mucho more to ya' honey.

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BY STEPHEN SHARE



Tenor Wieslaw Ochman as Gherman, soprano Stefka Evtatieva as Lisa in "The Queen of Spades."

Johannes Brahms once referred to the works of Anton Bruckner as "symphonic boa constrictors." This remark was one of the kinder things Bruckner's contemporaries said about him: few composers were less understood and appreciated in their own time.

But Bruckner's works, often dismissed in the beginning as "unplayable," have enjoyed a remarkably long and healthy tenure — and show no signs of going away. Their renown may be due to their great length, though intelligent listeners know that a musical idea must develop at its own pace — and that even a ten-minute piece can be too long.

Bruckner's Symphony No. 7 in E is one of the few pieces which won immediate acclaim for the composer. Its success came as a surprise to both Bruckner and his audiences.

The recent San Francisco Symphony treatment of Bruckner's Seventh was equally successful, but not surprisingly. Maestro Blomstedt, who had recorded the work with the Dresden Staatskapelle, maintains his lyrical grasp on the symphony. The slow movement is probably the most moving thing Bruckner ever wrote, and Blomstedt brought out the hymn-like character with mastery. The Scherzo, Trio and Finale were equally inspired. Though prepared for the worst, I came out realizing I actually like Bruckner.

Opening that evening's performance was Stravinsky's *Symphony of Psalms* with the San Francisco Symphony Chorus. The prelude made a powerful beginning, but the Double Fugue suffered from some underdevelopment and tonal imbalance. The Alleluia was convincing: tender passages were especially haunting.

Claudio Arrau

He has done it again. Despite the doubters who ask "how much longer," Claudio Arrau shows no sign of stopping — and what's more, continues to perform with legendary skill.

Arrau, who turns 85 next month, treated Symphony audiences to a rendition of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3 that stood on its own merits without trying to prove anything. After all, Arrau has been treading the boards now for more than 70 years; he is recording the complete cycle of piano concertos for the third time. Who needs to prove anything?

In his recent performance, it was possible to discern moments of weakness, but Arrau more than compensated for them with his crystalline touch — and an absolute connection to the music. For my part, I will never forget the mystical, dreamlike Largo he crafted.

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Another singer worth noting was Timothy Noble's Count Tomsky, who sang Macbeth last season. He radiated bonhomie, and sang solidly.

Lisa, sung by Bulgarian soprano Stefka Evtatieva, was vocally good — though she looked somewhat robust for the part. The despairing aria she sings in Act 3, lamenting Gherman's apparent betrayal, displayed her skills most effectively.

Visually, the opera had much to offer. The dancing in the Mozartean pastorate was, by operatic standards, better than average. Sprightly Shan-Yee Poon, as Cupid, was brilliant.

Conductor Emil Tschakaroff, in his San Francisco debut, showed understanding of the varying moods in the work. His treatment of

the pastorate segment was Mozartean without being caricatured.

After it was all over, a teary Terence took the stage to make an interminable farewell speech to Regine Crespin. Though the sentiments were no doubt sincere, it was hard to tell who suffered more — Crespin or the audience — as McEwen heaped anecdote atop anecdote, mixing them with tasteless imitations of the singer's voice and accent. As they say, tacky, tacky.

Coming up next season we are promised, among other things, Meyerbeer's *L'Africaine* with Shirley Verrett and Plácido Domingo; *The Rake's Progress* by Stravinsky; and Wagner's Parsifal. The bill of fare looks good enough, but some questions about casting and conductors darken the picture. Stay tuned.

MUSIC

Cabaret Concert Series

The Music Hall on Larkin Street is once again under new management. On December 9, the first in the Cabaret Concert Series was presented. Produced by Ron Kalb and Joseph Taro, opening night (for the theater as well as the Series) featured Lynda Bergren, Danny Williams and Taro. Bob Bauer unobtrusively accompanied Bergren and Taro on piano, and drummer Bill Daniels appeared during Taro's set.

I am pleased to report that the "old" Lynda Bergren is back again. The last time I reviewed her, Bergren had lost her punch, but thankfully, she is once again delivering emotion-packed renditions, passionately throwing herself into each of her selections and causing more than one tear to fall from the eyes of the audience. Her passionate rendering of "In the Winter" and "The Best Thing You've Ever Done" were superb, as was "Somewhere Out There." Bergren's "A Piece of Sky" rang true, as did her delivery of "I Dreamed a Dream." "Stars," a bittersweet ballad, received its due as Bergren wrapped her voice around the lyrics.

Besides emotion-packed love songs, Bergren is capable of delivering numbers on the lighter side with warmth and charm. "I've Got No Strings" (from *Pinocchio*) was simply delightful, and her standby "I Can Cook Too" was delivered without pretension for an effective result. Her choice of "Just a Housewife" seemed like her apologia for marriage and motherhood. This, too, was delivered simply

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room after the operation! But we were really having a good time!"

The hospital wasn't exactly prepared for Winnow's lover, Teya Shaffer, either. "When I was in the hospital, I had a private room and my lover slept on the floor beside my bed on a futon. No one ever offered her a meal or a pillow or anything. I spoke to other women whose husbands stayed in the room with them and they were offered everything, even soap. It was real clear that she was treated differently because we are lesbian," Winnow says. In the end, the whole cancer experience deepened her relationship with her lover.

The longterm effects of Winnow's experience with cancer are far-reaching. "I lost a few friends over cancer. They thought that by changing my habits, I was casting dispersions on their habits, and I wasn't," she recalls. For example, she quit smoking and adopted a low-fat, vegetarian diet.

However, Winnow adds that she also gained friends — as well as understanding. "How you view life changes with any life-threatening illness," she says. "I've become less judgmental of people and of life's changes."

The WCRC sponsors a biweekly women's cancer drop-in support group which meets from 6:30 to 8 pm on the first and third Mondays of each month, at the Alameda County Unit of the American Cancer Society, 3100 Summit St., Old Providence Hospital, fifth floor, Oakland. The space is wheelchair accessible, and \$5 donation is requested.

The first forum, on partners and friends of chronically ill and disabled lesbians, will be from 7 to 9:30 pm on January 24th at the Women's Building, 3543 18th St. SF.

A fundraiser for WCRC is planned for February 4th at the Victoria Theatre, 2961 16th St. SF, featuring Angela Davis speaking on women and health, emcee Margaret Sloan, comedian Marga Gomez, guitarist Mimi Fox, singer Silvia Kohan, the Blazing Redheads women's band, and clown Meryl Lieberman and Carol Barneo. Tickets are \$10-25, call Georgia at 648-5004 for info. WCRC may be contacted at P.O. Box 11235, Oakland, CA 94611; phone (415) 653-9028.

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Being in presence in time. I am here. I am present. So are you. My year will be spent trying to live a Zen wisdom I just learned: The path is easy. Try harder.

How will you spend your year? I hope with love, energy, fascination, delight, calm, strength, intensity, contemplation, reflection and creativity.

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was calling her mother with news of the diagnosis, especially because her maternal grandmother had died of breast cancer.

It was Winnow's friends, not her biological family, who served as her main support during the illness. She especially remembers the scene that greeted her immediately after her operation:

"There must have been a dozen women waiting in my room. I don't think the hospital was prepared for the party going on in my

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more. Am looking for a woman who shares the above and other activities. If you're bright, energetic and sensitive, let's get to know each other. Especially would like to hear from women in any aspect of the health fields. Reply CUI Box JN19.

Artist Seeks Girlfriend Of Substance
I'm 33, smart, witty, irreverent, andro-feminine, left wing but politically incorrect whenever possible, independent, communicative, shy, sexy, introspective, emotionally aware, Jewish. Interests include Latin music, sexual adventure, world wide politics and culture, hiking. Seek woman of compatible qualities, same or different interests. Intelligence, compassion, sense of humor essential. No smoking/drugs, light alcohol. Reply CUI Box JN15.

Butch and Androgynous Women
Are you over 45, over 5'4", do you enjoy life and like to have fun? Are you into hot tubs, beaches and redwoods? Do you like trips to the country? I am Libra, feminine, nature lover, nonsmoker, loving, happy, active, casual and simple. I can offer modest accommodations and entertainment to visitors. Picture on request. Will answer all. Reply Boxholder, POB 1567, Mendocino 95460.

Powerful, Passionate Woman
dedicated to experiencing the limitless joy, love, trust and beauty within herself is willing to share her gifts with others. I'm a tall, slim, attractive, blue-eyed blond 40 year old looking for a compatible, not necessarily committed, although I'll probably settle down with the perfect partner at the right time. I'd like to date women 30-45 who know who they are and like what they see in the mirror. Let's go dancing, or out for dinner and a movie, or you name it! No smokers or substance abusers please. Reply CUI Box JN8.

I'd Like to Get to Know You
I'm 5'4", 130 lbs, late 40s lesbian. I have a non-traditional job. I like exotic music, exotic food, skiing, boating, hanging out at home, massage, saunas, hot tubs, feminine women, younger women, older women with younger attitudes, taking time to know you. I don't sleep around and I don't need a relationship, but I'd like one. Yes, I care how you look, but I also care what's in your heart. No smokers, drugs, alcohol, s/m, pets. It's unlike me to write this. If it's unlike you to answer, send photo and reply to CUI Box JN7.

Someone Special
I want that very special love you have. I want to hear that I'm very special. I want to be the one you cling to when you feel all the pressures of the world. I want you to be the first thing that comes to my mind when I wake up to each day... I'd like to meet a sensitive, adventurous, attractive, intelligent woman. I'm 28, a woman of color, very attractive and a hopeless romantic. I enjoy the beach, friendly chats and good company. If this sounds inviting to you, please write to me with a phone number (photo optional). Reply CUI Box JN9.

Va Gotta have Friends!
Couple seeks couple for friendship only. Two very discreet prof. feminine G/WJ seek playmates for outdoor fun, exploring, movies and music. Good sense of humor important. If you're 27 to 35 and in the same situation, Reply CUI Box JN10.

Lesbian Muttt
Half Asian, 30 years old, musician, steadily employed with strange schedule. Seeks woman 27-45 for friendship and possibly more. Willingness to be friends first is a must. Please be classical music helpful. If you are mature, open & enjoy good communication and companionship and can tolerate cats & normal neurosis, please write. Reply CUI Box JN11.

Eclectic Seeks Similarly-Minded Friends
Mendocino to SF
A shy non-joker, I have a partner but need a few good friends. Interested in meeting others or 30+, outgoing lesbians: humorous/sensuous, slightly witty, healthy, nonsmoking, non-substance abusing, single, attached, semi-detached etc. I like people who are satisfying work, marry interests, a few passions. Mine include: yoga,

plants, animals, sun, ocean, bird-watching, whale-watching, flowers, pictures, pots, movies, working out... I am quiet, caffeine/health, vegetarian, marijuana-addicted, cynical, idealistic, ir-reverent, politically progressive/not pc, spiritual/ly oriented/not cosmic. Reply CUI Box JN12.

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Older Women Preferred
Native New Mexican who loves living in CA. Attractive, 26, 5'11", 108 lbs, mixture of Spanish, Mexican, Indian. Mature, down to earth person into positive thinking, staying fit, spiritual/personal growth, music, movies, nature. Neither firm nor butch—just myself. Very loving heart hoping to love another, not older than 40, in a long-term monogamous relationship. No drugs. Photo would be nice. Remember, older is better, with or without gray hair. Reply CUI Box JN13.

Short Cute Dyke
Seeks something: punk dyke? cuddly Chicana? Cute butch who could be a stimulating relationship back late occasionally? A friend to warm me up? Like Latin music, fresh flowers, incredibly boring experimental films and having my feet rubbed. (I'll gladly reciprocate, but must confess my idea of exercise is going out for lattes.) Read a lot, don't smoke, drive recklessly, in Al-Anon and uncomfortable around much drugs/alcohol. Denide my tastes, drag me out to the city for weekends, make an offer. Reply CUI Box JN14.

My Ideal Lover
would be an intelligent, politically radical lesbian and feminist, 30-45, who is also independent, adventurous, outdoorsy, enjoys discussing and debating ideas, and has a large capacity for warmth, intimacy, passion, physical affection and honest communication. She wouldn't be presently addicted to anything (drugs, food, alcohol or cigarettes) nor in the beginning stages of recovery. Neither would she be a sexual abuse survivor, nor into bisexuality, roles or s/m. Actual ly, she'd be a lot like me. Are there any soulmates out there? Reply CUI Box JN15.

Let's Dance Maybe Romance
Two progressive attractive women, recently come out, are looking for progressive attractive women to go out on the town. We like soul, blues, r&b, 60s and modern rock. Bachelorette #1. Likes movies, bushes, beer & Bulgarian music. Bach-elorette #2. Likes dance, dining, football & flirting. We're both in our late 20s and hope to hear from you before we hit 30. Warped humor, a plus. Send your phone number and we'll go dancing. Reply CUI Box JN16.

Good Communicators
We're around forty, attractive, professional. We're looking for a long-term relationship. Though you're femme and I'm butch, we're both emotionally and sexually nurturing. We value equality. We're intuitive and articulate and exceptionally good communicators. We're not afraid of anger, but won't be abused or abusive. We're 27-45 and not addicted. We like the beach, long walks, Japanese and Thai restaurants, movies, dancing, reading, going to bed early and being playful. Reply CUI Box JN17.

I Know Where I'm Going...
this tall, dark (silvering) and handsome 38 yr old has just gone through her 2nd adolescence and is ready for fun, frolic and possibilities. Politically progressive but not boring, butch of center and in love with my femme. Am open to independent, creative, and sexually playful energy... do you want to come? Reply CUI Box JN18.

Innovative
Conscious woman, somewhat firm of center, hi-energy, intuitive, 40s, seeks like-minded, any

age. In friendship, in passion, Reply CUI Box JN19.

Romantic
I am a 30 year old lesbian, and an incurable romantic. I like reading, music, dancing, the mountains and ocean. I'm in 12-step program, and try to exercise regularly. I don't smoke, take drugs, and drink rarely. If you share some of my interests and are willing to share some of your own, write and let's talk. Reply CUI Box JN20.

Eclectic Entrepreneur
Eclectic entrepreneur, publisher, teacher and writer in her late 30s seeks mature professional or artistic individual for a stimulating relationship and to share my love of cultural and fine arts events, weekend trips, camping, etc. I am androgynous, exotic, with some fun fetishes and sincere. Write with phone numbers to CUI Box JN21.

East Coast Savvy
Gorgeous and dynamic (both truthfully) feminine GWF professional seeks same in special partner of comparable age (25-35). I am down to earth, honest, loving, sensitive, exciting, funny, romantic, monogamous, sensual and sexual. I enjoy romantic dining, good conversation, dancing, moves on the VCR, going out for good times and staying home for the same. Communication is a must. No smokers, drugs, manipulators. Light alcohol OK. Reply CUI Box JN22.

Fascinating Fit Femme
Following her feelings, seeks affair of the heart. Sensitive, perceptive, personable, irreverent, humorous, warm-hearted, witty real woman wants someone to share hugging, deep kissing, breaking New Year's resolutions, randraps on roses, adventures, sunsets, poetry, film, hot tubs, teddy bears, dance floors. Extra points for sweet, supportive disposition; nonsmoker over 35 with sense of humor; athletic; sexy; marriage material with terrific mother-in-law. Reply CUI Box JN23.

Mid 30s P.W.P.P.I.E.
Playful urban person geographically inclined & not an extrovert also savorer of sylvan Sierra silences in summer or in snow seeks companion walker talker & urban adventure stalker. Reply CUI Box JN24.

So Nu?
Jewish Femmes work Jewish, do you know how to appreciate a Jewish Butch? We are both fat and love every inch of each other's bodies. Just like our lives, our bodies fit well together. We are in our early 30s, listening and paying attention to each other's hopes and dreams. Are you a good storyteller? I am. Stiffness and humor are very important to me. yet, I want someone who can look inside and speak from her heart. The ocean and the earth are good friends of mine. I love spontaneity. Back roads and unexpected adventures. Are secret passions of mine as well as waking up on a Saturday with you in my arms as we cuddle, make love and share a shower, we pack our lunch and head off for an unexpected day of exploring. You don't smoke and you might be disabled like me. We like to play dress up, cook for each other, watch LA Law and sit by a crackling fire with our apple cider... So Nu? Reply CUI Box JN25.

Fun, Warm, Friendly
PT student who works FT. Wants to start the year right by meeting interesting women between 21-41 for dating or friendship. I'm a mature 24, 5'11", slender, very attractive dark haired Portuguese/Creole. An energetic good humored optimist whose many interests include yoga, theatre, the ocean, arts, social events, metaphysics and dancing. Reply Boxholder, POB Box 5756, SF 94101.

Sensitive, Sensible, Sensual
Vibrant, intense yet fun-loving woman (40s, sex-youthful-looking, attractive) wanting to recreate the magic in life, wishing to establish friendships and romance with other mature (age not relevant) women. Open to new adventures, wise with experience, seeking other warriors/adventurers, interests include: writing, country living, city pleasures, movies, dancing, women's issues, travel, camping, furry/furthatched critters, criminal

law, blues music, most music, leather and lace, ethnic food. Reply CUI Box JN26.

Life is Complete, Except...
for that special companion to share life's experiences with. I'm looking forward to a wonderful 1988 and would love to include the woman of my dreams. I'm 24, blond, a little on the heavy side, a nonsmoker, intelligent, stable, warm-spirited, career-minded, single and love a woman with a sense of humor. I work hard M-F and am looking for someone to play with on the weekends. I prefer women over 30 who are open-minded, intelligent, know themselves, success-oriented and can be serious or silly. These ads can say so little, so write and let's explore a friendship/relationship! Reply CUI Box JN27.

You Can Do This!
After you invite me over for dinner, we can sit and talk. Very simple—very relaxing. I am genuine, smart and very goodlooking. Please be that way too. Reply CUI Box JN28.

Winner Seeks A Winner
Bright and gregarious bi woman, 48, former electrical engineer, femme, brunette, happy, coming to SF mid-January. Seeking joyful friendship network and a wholesome long-term relationship. I'm vivacious, sensual, super serious on life's issues but often daring—an iconoclast. Am professionally successful and love classical music, opera, ballet, international folkdancing, travel and learning. Ethics, nurturance, and commitment are central to me. (No, I'm not boring!) Want sharp, educated, "up" and loving counterpart, 28-50, to dance along to life's rhythms. Absolutely no smokers and no drugs! Please make my day and rush letter, description and phone to Boxholder, POB 14444, SF 94114.

Open House for Inspection
A good man is hard to find. With that in mind, I've decided to write this ad for you, the good man who should be in this house. You: GM, 30-50, attracted to heavy set men. Like having an assertive man take charge, sometimes. Have your own interests and affairs in order. Are self-actualized, your own person. Are tactile, sensual. As interested in values and virtues as sex. Into safe sex. Maybe you are slightly kinky. You are willing to experiment, have a healthy imagination. Know the difference between fantasy and reality, but are willing to let your attainable fantasies become your reality. Are a homebody. Like feeling you belong somewhere. Easygoing. Pragmatic. Sensitive to the needs of others. Me: BG, 42, 6'2", professional, heavy-set, hairy, hung, handsome. Virtues and values are most important. But, alas, sometimes I see big butts and round big dicks before noting other virtues. So, I am weak for the conspicuous. But to my credit, I enjoy reading, writing (I'm published), painting, sketching, theater, movies. I have started a video collection; I am braving the technological exasperations of a personal computer. I would like sharing more physical and intellectual activities. We are interested in developing a long-term, mutually supportive, monogamous relationship. Are inclined toward interracial relationships, have to be the altar before and really want to make it work this time. Desire mutual support and nurturing. Are employed or financially self-sufficient. Are individuals; not requiring social sanction for who we are. Are blatant liberals. Are concerned about injustice, civil and human rights. Are practical; ethical, have similar values. Are willing to earn each other's trust and loyalty. Are dependable, honest, share and exercise our senses of humor and constructive outlook on life. Stand by each other, through good times and bad. Are predisposed toward making a commitment to each other when it feels right. Want to eventually live together, do each other's laundry. Are interested, long-term, in developing mutual financial investments and goals. Want to become best friends as well as lovers. Mature and affirm commensurate. Communicate our feelings to each other. Respect each other. Are not afraid of our feelings; of who we are. Are not substance abusers, fair weather Romes, drag queens or Republicans. If my house sounds like your house, reply. Reply Boxholder, POB 42502, SF 94101.

East Bay
Feel isolated? Sometimes out of touch? But enjoy the space and comfort? Join the club! Attractive, 28, Asian-American in the East Bay seeks special friend for intimate dinners, intelligent conversation, random laughter and physical connection (after a mental and emotional one). I am HIV neg, blk/brown, 6'1" and 165 lbs. I seek intelligent, sensitive, healthy GWM, 30-45 who understands the dynamics of our culture and lives accordingly. Please respond to Boxholder, POB 3110, Fairfield 94533-0110.

Affectionate
GWM 49 (looks 40) 5'7", 127 lbs, bearded, trim, swimmer, well-proportioned, professional, non-drug user, HIV negative, seeks companion. Like movies, flea markets, hiking, games, quiet evenings at home. Mutual attraction important, sex secondary. Sometimes socially awkward but skillful at dealing with the emotional nuances of friendship. Passionate about lifework. Looking for trim, cerebral, affectionate, nonsmoking, health-conscious man who enjoys being connected. East Bay. Reply CUI Box JN31.

Loyal Lover, Best Friend
Athletic, handsome man of Native American

Weekend Cuddle Buddy
Though I need a lot of time for myself right now, this 31 yr old GWM would like a cuddle buddy to spend time sleeping together, making love, talking, and weekends. My interests include theatre, films, music (especially symphony and choral), dance concerts, camping (with tents), cooking, cats, Jane Roberts, psychic stuff, massage and the Twelve Steps. I like quiet evenings and relaxing weekends away (like in the mountains, the Big Sur area, the Russian River, the desert). I am 6'1", dark brown/brown, nice build, handsome, intelligent. I don't use any drugs, alcohol, or mind altering substances. A sense of humor is important (mine is kind of silly), as is an ability to honestly communicate needs and feelings, even difficult ones. If you're looking for something similar, let's get together and enjoy! Photo & letter appreciated. Will return. Reply CUI Box JN33.

Change
Want to move from anonymous sex to fuck buddies to possibly more. Need brave souls to venture into scary waters. GWM, late 40s, 6', 160 lbs, athletic, good shape, warped humor. Interests: activism, film, mysteries, genealogy. Most physically turned on by smooth, tight, shorter

men of all races. Nonsmokers reply with pic and phone number to Boxholder, Box 481, 2215-R Market St. SF 94114.

Masculine Loyalty
If you're willing to start with a loyal friendship and can get excited about a really nice looking balding guy with hairy chest and well proportioned athletic physique, we should meet. This discreet, masculine 30 yr old professional WM has a winning attitude and seeks loyal 1-on-1 companionship with a healthy, clean cut, well built WM, 25-40 with a sensitive nature, positive outlook, quiet confidence and playful disposition. Show me your best side, a break from career demands with active weekends in a private world of biking, running, weights, backrubs, dinners at home, videos, etc. Turn-ons: moustaches, weekend beers, in-shape guys, hairy chests, firm handshakes, confident smiles, positive energy. Immediate turn-offs: out-of-shape guys, shy types, smokers, ferns, wimps, party boys, one track minds. If you're a high caliber man (younger OK) to let me—er, excuse me, who you're with, I'm monogamous, stand alone and—(all right, I'll admit it)—really hairy. I'm somewhat shy, prone to wisecracks, fond of bad science fiction, smooth bare skin, staying at home, and ogling skateboarders. I frequently cuddle, often caress, and can be persuaded to give erotic massages to boyfriends. I love intelligent bantering, walking naked on clothes-oplimentary beaches, atmospheric dining, beautiful views, sunset dispositions, short toenails and prolonged, gentle, fun, exquisitely sensual safe sex (condomized, top, bottom and sideways). And I'm looking for You. This offer limited, apply to day. Operators are standing by. Write, (with picture, please, you'll get mine—all answered). Reply CUI Box JN32.

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My aim is to meet an honest, level-headed masculine GWM in the 50 to 60 age range who is interested in building a monogamous relationship. Some basics: I'm a GWM in my late 40s sensitively masculine, dark hair/eyes, moustache, average height/weight, predominantly top, orally active. HIV negative and safety conscious. Mutual satisfaction both in and out of bed is my priority with me. I generally avoid bars because I dislike smoke, heavy drinking and I'm not adept at small talk; so I'm hoping this ad will provide a better means of meeting a man of quality. Some of my leisure interests include good music, concerts, simple dinners at home and foreign cuisine out; travel and sports. Hopefully, our interests will overlap, but there's always room in my life for new ones that are clear to you. Most of all, if giving and receiving affection are important to you, I'd very much welcome your response. A photo, though not mandatory, would be appreciated. Please Reply Boxholder, Box 117, 1750 Post, SF 94115.

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French guy, newly arrived, educated, professional, great personality, wide interests, 30, 6', with blue eyes, attractive, healthy, sexy body, seeks handsome genuine guy to share one-to-one relationship through a sensual friendship style. I'm a muscular, fit, handsome, student and yuppie styles, or others, and frequent contacts for creative life. Reply CUI Box JN35.

Asian Friendship
Prof WM 43, 5'7", 145 lbs. Brn/brn easygoing, mature, sensitive, adventurous, sense of humor, positive attitude would like to meet Asian with similar attributes and who shares my interest in travel, dining out, beaches, quiet nights, theater & fitness. Prefer 22-40 and slim. But will keep an open mind to all who respond and will answer all. Photo and phone if possible. Reply Boxholder, POB 14734, SF 94114.

Abusive Leather Top Seeks Bottom
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WM, 5'6", 150 lbs; seeks muscular small guys, big bodybuilders, Blacks, Orientals into flexing, posing and having their body appreciated. Like bodybuilding, martial arts, and jiu. Have hot muscle videos and enjoy taking physique photos. Reply Boxholder, POB 6655, SF 94101.

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Very down to earth, goodlooking 33 year old (as of New Year's Eve) GWM, 5'10", 155 lbs, wavy short dark blond hair, brown eyes, short beard, hairy chest and stomach, looking for a primary relationship with a man who, like me, takes exceptional care of himself physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually and who's goodlooking, loving, very sexual and open to new ideas. A professional pianist and Ward 5-A volunteer who's uninhibited and masculine, yet vulnerable, sweet and playful, a good friend, great ear and hot buddy who's warm and loving, honest, self-assured, successful and healthy as well, and whose tastes range from Mozart to rock 'n' roll. Christopher Rage to Louise Hay. Sexually I'm into lots of affection and foreplay, verbal j/o I have the voice for it, oral and anal play (latex mandatory), leather/news, fuck films, safe sleaze, sexual exploration and new ideas. I'm seeking camaraderie and passion, intimacy and independence with a well-proportioned, butch, young, active, fit, mysterious, genealogy. Most physically turned on by smooth, tight, shorter

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If you're willing to start with a loyal friendship and can get excited about a really nice looking balding guy with hairy chest and well proportioned athletic physique, we should meet. This discreet, masculine 30 yr old professional WM has a winning attitude and seeks loyal 1-on-1 companionship with a healthy, clean cut, well built WM, 25-40 with a sensitive nature, positive outlook, quiet confidence and playful disposition. Show me your best side, a break from career demands with active weekends in a private world of biking, running, weights, backrubs, dinners at home, videos, etc. Turn-ons: moustaches, weekend beers, in-shape guys, hairy chests, firm handshakes, confident smiles, positive energy. Immediate turn-offs: out-of-shape guys, shy types, smokers, ferns, wimps, party boys, one track minds. If you're a high caliber man (younger OK) to let me—er, excuse me, who you're with, I'm monogamous, stand alone and—(all right, I'll admit it)—really hairy. I'm somewhat shy, prone to wisecracks, fond of bad science fiction, smooth bare skin, staying at home, and ogling skateboarders. I frequently cuddle, often caress, and can be persuaded to give erotic massages to boyfriends. I love intelligent bantering, walking naked on clothes-oplimentary beaches, atmospheric dining, beautiful views, sunset dispositions, short toenails and prolonged, gentle, fun, exquisitely sensual safe sex (condomized, top, bottom and sideways). And I'm looking for You. This offer limited, apply to day. Operators are standing by. Write, (with picture, please, you'll get mine—all answered). Reply CUI Box JN32.

All It Takes Is You And Me
My aim is to meet an honest, level-headed masculine GWM in the 50 to 60 age range who is interested in building a monogamous relationship. Some basics: I'm a GWM in my late 40s sensitively masculine, dark hair/eyes, moustache, average height/weight, predominantly top, orally active. HIV negative and safety conscious. Mutual satisfaction both in and out of bed is my priority with me. I generally avoid bars because I dislike smoke, heavy drinking and I'm not adept at small talk; so I'm hoping this ad will provide a better means of meeting a man of quality. Some of my leisure interests include good music, concerts, simple dinners at home and foreign cuisine out; travel and sports. Hopefully, our interests will overlap, but there's always room in my life for new ones that are clear to you. Most of all, if giving and receiving affection are important to you, I'd very much welcome your response. A photo, though not mandatory, would be appreciated. Please Reply Boxholder, Box 117, 1750 Post, SF 94115.

New For You!
French guy, newly arrived, educated, professional, great personality, wide interests, 30, 6', with blue eyes, attractive, healthy, sexy body, seeks handsome genuine guy to share one-to-one relationship through a sensual friendship style. I'm a muscular, fit, handsome, student and yuppie styles, or others, and frequent contacts for creative life. Reply CUI Box JN35.

Asian Friendship
Prof WM 43, 5'7", 145 lbs. Brn/brn easygoing, mature, sensitive, adventurous, sense of humor, positive attitude would like to meet Asian with similar attributes and who shares my interest in travel, dining out, beaches, quiet nights, theater & fitness. Prefer 22-40 and slim. But will keep an open mind to all who respond and will answer all. Photo and phone if possible. Reply Boxholder, POB 14734, SF 94114.

Abusive Leather Top Seeks Bottom
Intelligent GWM, 5'11", 165 lbs, sensitive to your needs. I have ability to hear you and understand what you listen and serve my needs. I seek a goodlooking, HIV-neg partner who likes himself, knows his power and how to give it up, owns & enjoys wearing leathers and wants to indulge my s/m fantasies. Tell me how well you will obey. Reply CUI Box JN36.

Muscle Worship
WM, 5'6", 150 lbs; seeks muscular small guys, big bodybuilders, Blacks, Orientals into flexing, posing and having their body appreciated. Like bodybuilding, martial arts, and jiu. Have hot muscle videos and enjoy taking physique photos. Reply Boxholder, POB 6655, SF 94101.

Black and White Looks Good
GMB 31, 5'5", 135 lbs; attractive, thinning hair, but still looks good. I like having fun, movies, music, dancing, sex, life in all areas. Open to new activities. Would like to get into working out and the outdoors. Living in the Sacramento area. Seeks GWM 18-32, trim build, who is interested in the above. Let's share a wonderful life together. Students okay. Reply CUI Box JN37.

Happy Birthday To Me
Very down to earth, goodlooking 33 year old (as of New Year's Eve) GWM, 5'10", 155 lbs, wavy short dark blond hair, brown eyes, short beard, hairy chest and stomach, looking for a primary relationship with a man who, like me, takes exceptional care of himself physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually and who's goodlooking, loving, very sexual and open to new ideas. A professional pianist and Ward 5-A volunteer who's uninhibited and masculine, yet vulnerable, sweet and playful, a good friend, great ear and hot buddy who's warm and loving, honest, self-assured, successful and healthy as well, and whose tastes range from Mozart to rock 'n' roll. Christopher Rage to Louise Hay. Sexually I'm into lots of affection and foreplay, verbal j/o I have the voice for it, oral and anal play (latex mandatory), leather/news, fuck films, safe sleaze, sexual exploration and new ideas. I'm seeking camaraderie and passion, intimacy and independence with a well-proportioned, butch, young, active, fit, mysterious, genealogy. Most physically turned on by smooth, tight, shorter

ly versatile, holistically and/or spiritually inclined, loves movies and good comedy and is as serious about settling down as he is about getting down. Photo appreciated. Reply Boxholder, 2261 Market #153, SF 94114.

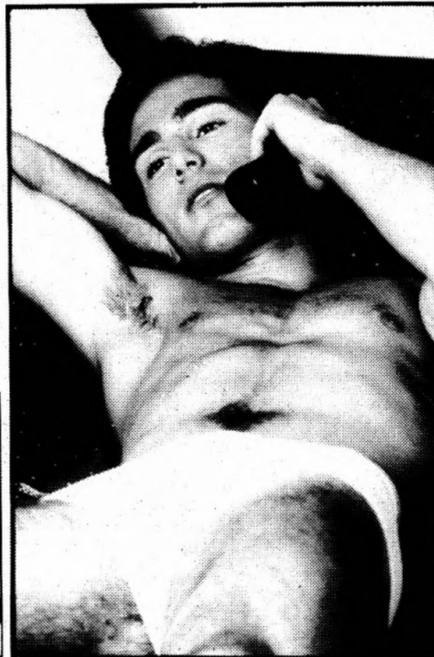
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Long-term relationship between two masculine men. We are playful, bright, outrageous, mischievous, effective, professional, successful, romantic, sexy, attractive, unassuming, athletic men up to creating unusual living/loving. We love and respect each other's strengths and commonalities as well as our weaknesses and differences. Able to create "I" and then a "We". GWM, 36, 5'9", 140 lbs, 40" hairy chest, 28" waist. (body builder), strong runners' legs, seductive/expressive brown eyes, attractive short brown thinning hair, bright smile, successful psychologist. If you're similar, taller, up to doing the work creating relationship takes, able to communicate through the great and hard times, physically/mentally/emotionally available and healthy, then take "We" on. Reply Boxholder, POB 14032, SF 94114.

Big Tits
I'm particularly attracted to men with muscular chests—well-defined pecs. As we date and get to know each other, I'd like to (among other things) careen your torso and suck your nipples. I'm excellent lover material: attentive, witty, affectionate, nurturing. A psychology professional (34, tall, slim, HIV negative) into movies, theatre, eating out, personal growth, creative writing. No drugs or smokers, please. Include photo. Reply CUI Box JN39.

HIV+ Seeks HIV+
WM, 40, 6', average body & looks, professional, 170 lbs, smooth; seeks HIV+ man who is tired of sleeping alone, and who needs a special buddy in his life. My interests include: talking, touching, cuddling, fireplaces, screwing, Sunday mornings, film, Mann Headlands, quiet times, sports, professional endeavors, trusting & sharing. I am strongly drawn

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tionally accessible, loving, warm, intelligent, personally responsible, spiritually positive, metaphysically oriented, constructive in thought and effort (these are the qualities that excite us most in each other). At home we both enjoy quiet music, relaxing times together, conversation, humor, sensuality, as well as pursuing other shared and individual interests. Our flames maintain their individuality, while together providing more warmth and light. We don't want to rush in without adequate shared experience, and so will give it time to develop naturally, given our chemistry. We are both patient and trust the outcome. Reply Boxholder, 808 Post St #1701, SF 94109.

Hungry Daddy's Boy
GWM, 40, boyish good looks. There are only two things I'm into in life—eating and eating! Very oral with your slim, smooth, cut body. I know where my lips belong and how to treat a Daddy right—or—show a good boy a hot time. Together "all in the family" or alone. Blondes and red heads drive me wild! Picture, if possible, and phone number. I'll be a good boy and reply right away! Reply CUI Box JN58.

Nipple Play
GWM, 6'3", 180 lbs, with extraordinary trim, smooth, defined muscular body, seeks soulmate for nipple play. You must be lean, trim, defined and fairly smooth. Facial hair a plus. Your chest photo gets mine. Safe only. Reply Boxholder, Ste 406, 3315 Sacramento St, SF 94118.

Skin Tight Jockey Shorts
or loose boxers hiding your thick, extra hung, big dick turn me on. You owe it to yourself to kick back, totally relax, watch porno while allowing me to sniff around, explore—then worship what's hiding behind your bulging jockey shorts. GWM, 50, 5'6", large cut. Let's arrange to enjoy a nice evening or weekend afternoon where your crotch is king! Drop me a note. Reply CUI Box JN59.

Monogamous
Searching for that special GM (30-50) who wants to share my life and his. I'm a GWM, goodlooking (I think) professional, 43, 5'10", 175, green eyes, moustache, light brown hair w/gray who is a bottom but still a man and versatile. He should love the outdoors not bars, long walks, picnics, holidays, flowers, plays, friends, and most of all he should want to love and be loved. Want to build a life together, to be friends, lovers, to have dreams, share disappointments, to be affectionate. Would you like the above? Take a chance, you never know. Box 421370, SF 94142.

Latino Tongue Service
Me: handsome, 29, Latino seeks handsome, well-built men with proper attitude. I get off on being on my knees between your legs. You tell me what to do. My tongue is at your service. You: GWM, under 40, muscular a plus. Me: Sonoma County. Photos required, will return. Reply CUI Box JN60.

Rugged Yet Refined
Non-stereotypical GWM, 27, seeks slightly younger "little brother," 18-25, 5'10", 155#, masculine, dark, athletic, humorous, progressive, well-educated. Interests include new music ("Rockers," KUSF, "Live-105"), travel (Baja this spring), running, international cinema/politics, quiet times. I'm generally "frisky" but relationship-oriented. Ideally you're similarly inclined, playful, affectionate, mature yet somewhat boyish looking. Let's talk. POB 6611, SF 94101.

Jack-Off Buddy Wanted
You and I need a jackoff buddy, so why don't we get together? We're into safe sex, but not looking for lovers or relationships. The only commitment we want is that of getting together for a good handjob. I'm 40, Black and cut. You're 35-45, any race, 7 inches or over. Uncut really excites me. Reply letter/photo/phone to CUI Box JN61.

Buddy/Buddy
Hi, I'm a GWM, 5'7", 150 lbs, 32, generally accused of being goodlooking. I enjoy working out, dining out, seeing shows, walks and drives. I don't use drugs or smoke, seldom drink and love to laugh. I'm looking for a man my size who would like to be a workout buddy, inside and outside the gym. Someone who would enjoy my company, appreciate both internal and external qualities. Someone rough and cuddly, safe-minded and versatile. My picture for yours. Let's talk. Write Boxholder, POB 1808, SF 94101.

I'm Looking for Connections
with good men of balance, heart and humor. I've got good people in my life, but I need to interact with more kindred gay brothers, men of honesty, inner strength and wisdom, natural masculinity, curiosity, humor, and sense of adventure. I'm not so much interested in what position you prefer in bed as whether you express your sexuality in an open and loving manner. I'm 38, 5'11", 155#, brown hair/beard, goodlooking. I love the outdoors and have backpacked over most of California. Other interests include swimming, drumming, skiing, Eastern/Native American spirituality, rock and classical, bright and stimulating conversation, reading, quick minds, or a good, lusty relationship, but am open to other forms of friendship, too. If this ad is talking to and about you, let me hear about it. A photo would be appreciated. Reply CUI Box JN62.

Hopeless Romantic
I hope you're reading this on a cold, rainy night in great shape. Interests include music (especially classical and jazz), piano, theater, dining out, film, outdoor activities. I'm looking for a muscular, athletic guy who is fun-loving with a good sense of humor. I want a partner who is my size or taller, 20s or 30s, HIV neg, high energy, non-smoker, any race. Reply CUI Box JN68.

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Tall, Thin, Androgynous
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Handsome GWM, 48, a successful professional with a PhD and a 6-figure income seeks to meet a much younger, similarly achieving, fit GWM with a graduate degree, established in business or a career, making an excellent living. Photo and letter describing interests, values and dreams to Reply CUI Box JN75.

Leas Is More
This short, masculine man (37 years, 5'7 1/2", 155 lbs) with a good strong healthy muscular body—considered handsome with an adventuresome spirit and romantic soul seeks a masculine short man who is secure with himself, independent, and an exciting new relationship would only add to the quality of his life. Prefer non-smoker, photo appreciated. Reply CUI Box JN76.

You'd Never Know It From This Ad, But...
I'm looking for more than just sex. This masculine, sometimes butch, but never macho kind of guy is also sensitive, communicative, romantic and affectionate. I'm goodlooking, 32, 5'7", 155 lbs, dark blond, blue, moustache, with a hot, healthy and hunky body. I'm hung, thick cut and with a smooth and firm round butt. I play safe, but can still get anal with the right dominant topman stuff who is: 35-45, 5'9"-6", well-built and stocky (love handles are a turn on), also a bit of grey, a moustache, and well-endowed are big pluses. A picture doesn't tell the whole story, but let's swap 'em anyhow and get this new year off to a great start. C'mon man, you know who you are. Reply CUI Box JN77.

I'm Ready
to meet new friends who share some of my interests in reading, nature, hiking, snow skiing, dancing and dining out. Eventually I would like to explore a deeper relationship that is based on mutual respect, support, trust and honesty. Have you too dreamed of affection, intimacy and appreciation becoming a new adventure every day? The commitment and experience will give us the strength to pursue that goal. I'm a positive thinking person with a good sense of humor, attractive (25, 6', 150#, blond/blue), intelligent, sensitive, enthusiastic, ambitious and down-to-earth. My ideal partner is a warm, neat, energetic, career-oriented and mature man in his mid-20s to mid-30s who has a healthy sexual attitude. If you feel we have some common ideals, please drop me a line, preferably with your photograph (returned) and phone number. Reply CUI Box JN78.

Dancing in the Dark
Stay on the streets of this town and they'll be carrying you up all night. They say you got to stay hungry, hey baby, I'm just about starving tonight. I'm dying for some action! I'm sick of sittin' round here trying to write this book. I need a love reaction: come on now baby gimme just one look. You can't start a fire, sittin' round over a broken heart. This gun's for hire, even if we're just dancing in the dark. Reply CUI Box JN79.

Are You Ready?
GWM seeks well-built jocks, 5'3" plus, 160# plus, athletic, desiring to explore the rigors of obedience. Terms negotiable. I am 5'8", 140#, smooth, muscular, br/tr, moustache, 35 and sane. You are ready. Send stats or photo (returned) and phone. Reply CUI Box JN80.

Don't Give Up Yet!
Consider a well-built 36-year-old GWM with deep lusty eyes and a smile that melts. How about a drive along the coast, a day hike around Mt. Tam, or a weekend in the Sierras? An evening well spent might include dinner at my place, a cuddling conversation, and perhaps a movie or music video. I'm looking for someone who also lives in the Richmond District of SF, or who has a car and lives in SF, is between the ages of 30-40, and weight proportionate to height. So let's meet for coffee and see... Please include a brief description of yourself and a picture if possible. Both items will be returned. Reply CUI Box JN81.

Wanted: You
Attractive GWM, 5'11", 160, seeks slender, in-shape men, 45-65. I want the maturity and experience you can give. I've had it with the babes—all ego, no action. I want you to be with Me—not going on some altar. I like movies, theater, and all the junk you read about in the other ads, but it is YOU that counts. Your pic gets mine. Reply CUI Box JN82.

These Are the Best
and worst of times, right? I tested positive three years ago (been safe for five), had my panic, had my sexual hibernation, had my trips half way around the world, etc., etc., etc., and I'm still healthy. I am realistic and stoic about what is to come, but that is then and this is now! Now is best!

ter spent lazing and grazing, chasing a few sunsets, trying something new, and laying down with you. I am 36, big (though not hung), strong, handsome, and discreet, and a pretty wide range of interests from films to exploring the countryside. I am not looking for perfection, marriage, or a nurse. I am looking for an affectionate, masculine, young-at-heart men with some spunk who also wants to play some fun, intimacy and lust back in his life. (Former days might have found me pumping your face and you pumping my butt, these days...well, we'll have to figure out what feels as good...). Write candidly, my friend, and tell me about yourself. Reply CUI Box JN83.

Slim and Sincere?
Warm WM, 38, 6'2", 170 lbs, slim, blue eyes, clean-shaven; seeks warm-hearted slim or thin guy, 18-38, any race OK. Seek sincere friend or lover. I don't smoke, health aware (HIV negative). Open to many interests. Some of mine: music, movies, hugging, massage, swimming, Asian culture, psychology, beaches, meditation. I'm fairly smooth; plus if you are. Write Boxholder, POB 14794, SF 94114.

Hey, Handsome
You're out there somewhere, although I can't seem to find you. I see a GWM, 25-30, who is a non-smoking health professional (a physician perhaps). You're a sensitive man that enjoys "new" music, dancing, long walks, fireside romance, and coffee at a neighborhood cafe. I'm 28, 6', with similar interests/profession and enjoy AIDS volunteer work. All we need is for you to reply to CUI Box JN84.

Friend and Partner?
Senior WM wishes to explore life on life's terms, good and bad, with Senior BM. An investment in a 22 cent stamp and a free cup of coffee. Go for it, you might make a friend and be glad. Box 397, 584 Castro, SF 94114.

Spiritual Bodybuilding
Muscular man, 6', 175, 36 yrs, asks: Do you grunt out from your guts when doing those last hard reps? Does weightlifting deepen your voice and lighten up your manly strut, energizing you to feel more alive as a man? Does this feeling link you to an expansion of energy, the spiritual, the metaphysical? Let's explore and share this New Age maleness with each other that is a healing energy. Buddies into awareness respond with photo. Reply CUI Box JN85.

Black Man Age 48 to 65 Wanted
GWM, age 50, seeks one dominant Black man age 48 to 65 who needs and loves long, slow oral sex sessions from clean-cut, caring, professional deep-throat expert. You lie back, relax, have a beer and let me give you the total expert servicing that you love and deserve. Reply Box 130, 370 Turk St, SF 94102. All replies answered.

Where's My Man
You are healthy in spirit and body, happy, creative and sexy—and you're crazy about me! I'm looking for a passionate character. Physical attraction a must for both of us. Be willing to work as self as well as nurture a friendship. I'm a slim 5'6", early 30s. No smokers, substance abusers. Photo and phone please. Prefer near my age, slightly taller, hairy chest, great buns a turn on! Reply CUI Box JN86.

Four in One
Semi-nude houseboy/lover/servant sought by retired GWM, 63, You under 5'9", 18-40, Caucasian or Asian, trim, obedient, affectionate, like cats, cooking, the arts, safe sex, disdain smoke, drugs; accept nudity, shaving, light bondage, full supervision and control. Serious only. HIV negative, no cons. Send your photo, phone, detailed letter to Boxholder, POB 604053, SF 94164-0453.

Fine and Mellow
guy, 41, 5'8", 145 lbs, dark complexioned, moustache, virile, hazel eyes, super fit and toned. Has dual wishes—Sexually seeks guy somewhat like myself, attractive, possibly younger, sensually seeks guy who enjoys good conversation, food and wine. I have a wine cellar approaching maturity, wishing to share, if you do also definite plus. If you can embody both wishes we could perhaps make a fine and mellow pair. Send photo. Reply CUI Box JN87.

I Have AIDS
and I feel great! GWM, 29, cute, fit, affectionate, romantic, playful sense of humor, friendly, witty, would like to share my life with someone who is emotionally and physically nurturing, honest, romantic, good communicator, non-smoker, and loves life. I would also like to meet new friends who are living powerfully with AIDS and are not being a victim of this disease. Reply phototeletter/phone to CUI Box JN88.

Mr. Potato Head, Where Are You?
I'm a moustached man with dark brown hair, laughing brown eyes, a big smile, 5'10", 160 lbs; lively mischievous, energetic, interested, outspoken and sometimes tactless, and have an endearing childlike quality. I fit no molds, and enjoy my difference. Interests include music (Bach to Vollenweider), and reading (Sand to Sartre), running, evenings at home, weekends away, and Sunday morning love. I'm seeking a man who is 27 to 45, top or versatile, healthy and chemically independent. He should have sense of humor and a sense of himself, intelligence, stability, the ability to enjoy his life and the willingness to share it. He also should be ready to commit to a primary monogamous relationship.

Reply CUI Box JN89.

Rugged, Masculine Man Wants 100% Man's Man for a Lifetime
Bearded, hunky GWM, 6'1", 42 y.o., 195#, brown hair/eyes. Sensual and sexual. Enjoy frequent kissing & cuddling. Respect joy, long term goals. Want to meet the world as two very masculine men. Love the country, farming and animals. Seek natural gay man who is nurturing, supportive, and very affectionate for lifetime relationship. Numerous masculine interests. Attracted to 180-220#, 5'3"-6'2", good physical shape, moderately hairy to hairy, butch and rugged, plus loving, caring. Please reply with letter. Reply CUI Box JN90.

Bear * Bear * Love
Hairy, husky, high energy East coast guy seeks clone for uninhibited romantic monogamous future in a clean, organized, smoke and drug-free environment where Teddy Bears live and love. Me: 40, 5'11", 215, handsome, balding, trimmed beard, sophisticated and refined, serious with a great sense of humor. I am an achiever who is sensitive, considerate, and appreciative, who wants to better his lifestyle with a quality man who has spontaneously both in the bedroom and in making decisions. Reply CUI Box JN91.

And Now For Something Completely Different...
You're resolved. Enough of the seemingly interminable flow of bullshit daily dulling your senses. You want someone real; someone you can relate to. OK, read on... I am a WM, 28, 5'7", 145 lbs, good looking, physically fit, masculine, HIV neg, independent, adventurous, serious (with a good sense of humor), supportive, open, under-

standing, well-educated, professional and politically left. My many interests include different cultures, music, yoga, swimming, working out, reading, writing and foreign languages. You're 25-34, well-educated, HIV-neg, diverse, open, strong-minded, politically aware, possessed of a good sense of humor, communicative and like to venture into the unknown. You're attractive, masculine, fit and toned and approximately my height. Let's give it a try. (Photo appreciated.) Reply CUI Box JN92.

AMP Package
GWM, 24, 5'11" tall, 165 lbs, dk hair, blue eyes, handsome features, seeks a sincere, relationship-oriented GWM, 20-30. Must be affectionate, intelligent, have a sense of humor and some class — without being pretentious. I enjoy films — from classics to trash, music and books. Am open to new interests. Please send photo with letter. Reply CUI Box JN93.

Daytime Man/Any Race
We both work evening shifts and need someone special for friendship and good times. I'm independent GWM, HIV-neg, with a full life, public contact career, serious artist and gym devotee. I want an affectionate top man to share daytime activities, massage, loving, safe sex. I'm flexible on age (20-45), smoking OK. Must be trim or muscular with limited body hair. Photo exchange encouraged, but a letter will be fine. Reply CUI Box JN94.

Handsome Dad
Bodybuilder Dad, GWM, HIV-neg, 44, 5'8", 150 lbs, muscular, intelligent, outgoing and interested in you. Looking for a youthful self-supporting guy of any race. Relationship-wise, I am mature and

dependable. Also creative, versatile and fun to be with. Enjoy all music. No slam or drugs — flexible on light alcohol and smoking. Prefer little or no body hair. Reply CUI Box JN95.

So Have It In
A friend asked me, "Why don't you put an ad in the paper?" So here it is. I'm a professional man, 36, 5'10", 180, considered goodlooking, intelligent, financially secure, politically left. I'm seeking to meet a relationship-minded man for friendship and possible evolution into "meaningfulness." My last lover of 9 years recently died of AIDS, and I'm looking to move on in my life with someone new. I don't smoke and rarely drink and would prefer if you didn't either. But what you look like, or the size of your endowment, is less important to me than what's in your heart and in your head. Sex to me runs an entire range from "conservative" to "major kink," but grows for me out of intimacy and vulnerability, not just out of a hard-on. If you'd like to pursue this further, please write with your phone number and, if you're inclined, a photo (which I'll return). A real person is behind these words. Reply CUI Box JN96.

Safe, Sincere and Like to Wrestle
I'm 29, 5'10", 145 lbs, br/blk, antibody negative, and attractive. I'm looking for someone who enjoys safe sex and/or wrestling for fun. I enjoy movies, books, dancing, sports, music and having a good time. I'm tired of the bar scene, hope you feel the same. I'm very sincere and fun to be with. Only same need to respond. Photo and response gets same. Reply CUI Box JN96.

Slow Jockey Shorts J/O
Especially sensitive, creative, clean-shaven guy, 40, very smooth, muscled chest and body, slim, 140#, 5'9", looking for guys with flat stomachs who like slow, extremely light cook touching and stroking, and who like sex play in 501s, sweat pants, or shorts, and maybe slow strip! You can send me your phone number and when to call I'm discreet. Reply CUI Box JN101.

Intellectual Ffer
GWM, 40, 175#, 5'10", br, br, very hairy teddy bear, stable and mature. Diagnosed with AIDS (K5) four years ago and never sick. Watched my friends die and I'm still standing and quite healthy. Looking for friends, cuddles, fuckbuddies (deep, mutual, safe FF), and conversationalists. Non-tobacco smokers, please. Send

Blacks Preferred
I'm rich with so much of what life has to offer, and

I would like a special person to share it with. My 6 ft, 175 lbs Aussie realness declares that you could be my perfect soulmate. Me: I'm financially secure, mature, career-oriented with the freedom to travel and take you with me. You: a student or military guy with a keen mind, positive energy and the ability to actualize goals. Let's get together for a date...I'll even bring the flowers. Reply CUI Box JN99.

Animal Seeks Animal
Blonde executive in 40s, 6'2", 210#, blue eyes, seeks a Latin/Black guy for hot raw animal sex and romantic evenings I desired, dining out at good restaurants is OK too. Prefer a guy that's uncult, has a big butt and is drug free. I am passionate, a lot of fun, and seek a quality guy with feelings and manners. Business relationship possible. Send number, picture to CUI Box JN100.

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photo. Reply CUI Box JN102.

Sincere, Honest, 3-4 Ways
desired by mature (48) GWC, educated, traveled, sincere, honest, horny couple seeks one or two others for friendship — we offer quality honest friendship and more and seek the same in one or two others in Santa Rosa area. Let's sunbathe nude, hot tub, massage, cook, enjoy each other's company, safe sex and more, music, VHS, TV. If you're honest and sincere, please write Box 262, Fulton 95439-0282.

Stop!
No stomach for art that is quaint. Gay baby dolls with nails in their heads cry and laugh at you. See red balloons fly high at nuclear disarmament — what's next? Not peace, I bet. See Spot beat! Walk Spot Run. Stop milking innocence! No sex on dice now. Big wide grins tumbling down the hill like red rubber balls. Toy blocks spell Not For Mental Wimps. Our red-wagon-minds got no room for no 1 over 3 foot 2. Let's go Right Left Up or Down. We are test tube US-A-merry-anks, and cars of worms don't make us squirm. Whole wheat bread sandwich looking for more meat, just paper-mates. Send Boxtops 364, Volcano, Hawaii 96785-0364.

BISEXUAL

Hunk, 40
Tom Seleck (Daddy) type seeks special arrangement with married, bi men, bi women, or couple for mutual good times. Open and creative, athletic and intelligent. I enjoy life, will satisfy your needs. Reply CUI Box JN300.

Strong Heart
BlWm, 39, 5'9", friendly, funny, muscular, clean-shaven, loves running, working out, piano, skiing, art, massage, philosophy, women open to men, men open to men. I'm a successful, compassionate entrepreneur looking for an athletic, intelligent, ambitious, independent person who is open to a relationship and can still enjoy today. You like reading, new ideas, creating, old friends. Reply again — Box 13124, San Rafael 94913 — previous mail lost.

Dylan to Costello
for this young, fresh fellow. Looking for someone down-to-earth who shares some of the following interests: music (especially rock), films, reading, running, racketball, progressive politics, swimming, sweaty safe sex. Am young 35, loving, caring, 5'10", 150, good smooth body and brain. I've made two great friends in these ads, but want more than friendship. "I Want You." The envelope please. Box 3506, Berkeley 94703.

Bisexual WM, 37, HIV-negative, attractive, masculine, positive outlook, warm verbal intelligence, thoughtful sentiments, strong searching personality, seeks others to redefine sex in a time of fear with occasional to weekly safe sex encounters. I am 5'10", 140, blue/brown, moustache, smoke, drink, average body and hair, above average cock, more bottom but versatile. You are bi, similar in physical stature and other qualities, HIV-negative, more top or versatile. We are uninhibited, want it all, curious or experienced about toys, bid, and sim, three-or-more-ones with men or women. Respect and recognize limitations. Write describing yourself. Reply: Boxholder, POB 2896, SF 94126.

You Are a BIWM
So am I. I'm married and the father of one, out to my wife and looking to fulfill my desire for passion and friendship with a man. I'm 38, 6'1", 155, good looking, blk curly hair (balding), haz eyes, broad shoulders, great smile, healthy, HIV-neg, into yoga and holistic awareness. Love music, dancing, singing, movies, massage and kissing. You: 30-45, 5'9" plus, healthy, HIV neg., warm, sensitive, good looking, masculine, lightly hairy and muscled, share my New Age tendencies, non-smoker. Photo and letter please. Reply CUI Box JN301.

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Enjoy Cooking?
Bring a favorite dish, meet new people and feast on fine food prepared by gay and lesbian cooks. Saturday night dinners in San Francisco in a relaxed, smoke-free social setting. Regular potlucks the first and third Saturday of each month; vegetarian potluck the fourth Saturday. For more information, send name, address and phone number to Epicures Unlimited, Box 14051-C, San Francisco 94114.

Skiers
I'm looking for lesbians interested in winter trips to Lake Tahoe for Alpine skiing. I ski beginner and intermediate slopes. Never tried Nordic, but would. Summer trips to Tahoe for water skiing. No drugs, alcohol or pets. Send photo. Reply CUI Box JN200.

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