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NGTF Membership Drive



Robert Stockman, a teacher in the Palo Alto school district for 22 years, signed up as a member of the NGTF at the Silver Fox lounge in San Jose. When asked why, Stockman explained, "I feel it is necessary for people to get involved with issues and specific groups they can support. As a gay man, I want to support legislation that allows us to be truly equal. Now, more than ever before, action is an absolute necessity."
Photo by Ted Sahl



Wiggys Sivertsen receives a handshake and accepts an award on behalf of the AIDS Foundation of Santa Clara County for a job well done. The certificate was presented by David Burgess (far left), who is on the staff of the Santa Clara County Health Department. Also pictured are Dr. Ira Greene and Richard Kendall (far right). Burgess presented the award in front of hundreds of theatergoers at the conclusion of a screening of the movie "Buddies" at Camera One in downtown San Jose. The film event was a benefit for the ARIS Project Dec. 2.
Photo by Ted Sahl

By Ted Sahl

Hoping that everyone would be in a happy space during the Christmas season, the National Gay Task Force (NGTF) decided to hold a membership drive in the Bay Area.

San Francisco and the Santa Clara Valley were the areas targeted for recruiting new members into the national gay rights organization.

In San Jose, the Silver Fox lounge hosted an evening of pleasure, mixing fine hors d'oeuvres and pleasant atmosphere for the occasion.

On hand was Rick Rudy, recently elected to the NGTF national board of directors, who surrendered to an interview with this reporter.

The number of people wasn't as large as we would have liked, but most of the people who showed up became members or took a pledge card with them to send in, Rudy said.

OP: This is a two-prong drive. San Francisco is also holding their own program tonight.

RR: That's right. We hope it will be a large turnout. There is a

larger potential gay audience in San Francisco than in San Jose.

OP: What is the present membership of the NGTF in the United States?

RR: At the moment, the NGTF membership is 6,500 nationwide — that figure has dropped in the past couple of years, but we're hoping with this drive for new members and membership development, we will bring the numbers up considerably so we'll have a better base to lobby in Washington.

Also, NGTF is attempting to get organizations involved. In fact, High Tech Gays this past week voted to join NGTF as an organizational member for \$100.

OP: Actually, you have always had individual members from HTG signed up with NGTF.

RR: Absolutely. In fact, 85 members of HTG signed up this year alone, and many more belonged before that.

OP: What, in your opinion, is the most important gain accomplished by NGTF this year?

RR: In terms of lobbying, the most significant effort has been

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Xmas Good Time for Givens



Photo by Ted Sahl

By Ted Sahl

They came from San Francisco to buy a Christmas tree. Al Slooth, and his lover Duke Armstrong picked out the tree they wanted and had breakfast at the Interlude on Stevens Creek Blvd. It was a great idea, thought Gary Givens: he asked the Imperial AIDS Foundation for a loan to buy trees, proceeds to go to help people with AIDS. Givens asked the Interlude owners if their parking lot could be used. The idea became a reality with a big YES.



Photo by Ted Sahl

Not only that — hot coffee, food was provided to Santa Givens and his helpers. Dancer, Prancer, Rudolph and the kids were replaced by Bernie, Nikki Nations, Mike, Gerry, Yolanda, Rachel, and many more.

Non-gay people said they "saw us on television and just had to buy their tree from us. I have hope for straight people — I know it was their way of saying, let me help. 99% of the people who bought trees saw it as a good thing we were doing."

Bernie told how people dashed up to the lot and gave money but didn't buy trees. One woman couldn't find the tree she wanted, gave a check as a donation.

Another man bought a tree and asked for some tree cuttings, and handed Bernie a hundred dollar check already made out.

"There really is a Santa Claus," said Bernie. "There are so many people we want to thank, most of them we don't know their names."

"A few stand out: Interlude and staff; Kair Thorne; all the people who stopped before going into or leaving the Interlude; Mike Wright and Jim Kerkstra from Renegades; Robert Tharp . . ."

There is no doubt about it, Christmas 1985 will not be forgotten in San Jose.

Rambo Invades San Jose

By Ted Sahl

It started out like any other Saturday: my front lawn was covered with leaves and the grass had to be cut. I lugged out the lawnmower and was about to begin stuffing leaves into a sack when the sound of screeching tires forced me to look towards the street.

A khaki-colored vehicle driving down Campbell Avenue turned right onto Milton. It was only a glance really. I remembered I saw large white stars painted on the vehicle, and canvas objects tied down on top. Naaaaaaa.

I continued to rake more leaves, pushing them into the sack, when suddenly there it was. An armored vehicle waiting at the stop sign. My eyes were glued to the white stars: I felt light-headed; and my breath pounded in my chest. Jumping Geehoshifer, Rambo is in town!

The armored car sped out into the fast lane, heading west on Campbell Avenue. My instinct forced me to scramble for my own car: my heart was pounding wildly as I backed out of my driveway, and headed after him.

Luck was with me. I caught up with the vehicle after crossing San Thomas, and eased up behind him. I was only a few feet from him hoping he wasn't paying too much attention to me. Seemed like we drove for an eternity, when he began to slow down.

My head was pounding, where is he going? The two gigantic antennas waved menacingly.



Photo by Ted Sahl

Suddenly he made a right turn and as he drove past trees, the antennas ripped leaves from the low-hanging branches.

Finally he made a right hand turn at Fallbrook. My heart was pounding wildly. . . . Rambo! Rambo! I couldn't think of anything else, expecting any moment that huge figure would leap into the air, the black bandanna, sweat pouring off him from carrying the two automatic M-1 weapons blazing away, in all directions...without mercy.

The feel of my steering wheel brought me back into focus. The vehicle slowed down. I got as close as I could, hoping he was too busy to notice me. He turned off to the right and stopped.

I kept my motor running so that I could speed off at the first sound of gunfire. But he drove a little further, I drove a little bit, trailing, when suddenly, he turned into a long driveway and stopped.

I could hear my heart pounding. My mouth was dry. I'm still in my car, ladies and gentlemen.

It seems like an eternity since he stopped. . . nothing . . . is happening. . . the silence is deafening, thank God the streets are empty of people. . . Wait! I can see something: at the front of the armored vehicle. . . yes, ladies and gentlemen, I can see movement, yes, I can see, he is emerging from an opening on top of the vehicle. Wait a minute, something is wrong. . . I can see, that's not Rambo!!!!

Ex-Navy, now a Data Systems Technician, Lynn Smith is a member of Military Vehicle Collectors Club in San Jose. Smith, the proud owner of U.S. M-20 Armored Car, was invited to exhibit his pride and joy at the International Plastic Society club's annual show and contest at the Castro Middle School in west San Jose.

This Army vehicle, according to Smith, is the second of only 43 such vehicles in existence. The machine was built by the Ford Motor Co. and he took four years to complete the renovation. His sidekick is Ronnie, his son. □

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Drug Abuse as the Co-Factor Co-Factor in AIDS Deaths

A CDC Coverup or More CDC Bungling?

By Stanley E. Berg

Perhaps nothing is more frightening to gays than the possibility of a deliberate attempt by the federal government to blame gay men almost exclusively for the spread of the retrovirus associated with the condition called AIDS when in fact it was most probably a fluke that AIDS first surfaced in the gay population of the United States. It is even more alarming to think that the CDC ignored the almost too obvious link between drug abuse and AIDS deaths.

While the jury is still out as to whether the CDC was actively involved in playing politics with the lives of gay men or not, it is evident that the CDC at the least is guilty of being ignorant of the fact that many gay men live in the "fast lane" of life. Are those living in the "fast lane," abusing drugs and alcohol, primarily responsible for the retrovirus known as HTLV-III turning into a killer?

Wouldn't it be fascinating if the HTLV-III retrovirus were no more deadly to the average human than the Hepatitis-B virus? Wouldn't it be astounding if we learned that most of those with AIDS are dying because the long sought-after co-factor associated with AIDS deaths is alcohol and drug abuse? This article is intended to examine those very possibilities.

This article is also intended to stand as an indictment against the hypocrisy, homophobia, and ignorance that is rampant in the federally controlled Centers for Disease Control.

Drug Abuse Linked to 79% of AIDS Cases

Startling information was published in the *Wall Street Journal* on October 24 which indicated that at least 79% of all AIDS cases in this country were linked to drug abuse.

One analysis of 87 homosexual and bisexual patients by Dr. Harry W. Haverkos, then of the CDC, found that 97% of the patients had used oral "street drugs" at least once.

Now at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Dr. Haverkos estimates at least 75% of all 87 patients used oral street drugs (which include uppers, downers, LSD, PCP, cocaine, amyl and butyl nitrites, marijuana, and ethyl chloride) at least once a week for at least several years but were not IV drug users.

CDC studies indicate that this sampling of 87 homosexual and bisexual patients is representative of those classified as homosexual or bisexual.

Homosexual IV Drug Users Classified only as Homosexuals

CDC reporting techniques classify homosexuals and bisexuals who are IV drug users only as homosexuals and bisexuals.

The CDC reports that 17% of all AIDS cases are among IV drug users.

To be completely accurate the CDC should state that 17% of all AIDS cases are among heterosexual IV drug users.

In reality 8% of all AIDS cases are actually homosexual or bisexual IV drug users.

This means that fully 25% of all AIDS cases are IV drug users when considering homosexual, bisexual, and heterosexual IV drug users as one class of all AIDS cases.

Concurrently this lowers the number of homosexual or bisexual AIDS cases from the reported 73% of the total to 65% of the total AIDS cases in the country.

Gay and bisexual men who are hemophiliacs are treated in the same fashion by the CDC. Instead of being classified as Hemophiliacs they are lumped into the homosexual and bisexual category.

It is apparent that the entire risk group classifications scheme for people with AIDS needs to be revamped by the CDC.

One can only wonder how many gays are classified only in the Homosexual or Bisexual category but could and probably should be placed in another risk group classification which would more accurately explain their primary risk factor for acquiring AIDS.

40% of AIDS Cases Are in Non-White Population

Recently released data from the CDC indicate that 40% of the AIDS cases in the U.S. occur in the non-white population. Blacks accounted for a staggering 25% of the total AIDS cases in this country while comprising only 12% of the total population.

Hispanics or Latinos accounted for 15% of the number of AIDS cases while they account for only 6% of the population.

Pre-Existing Immune System Damage Appears To Be Key in AIDS Deaths

It was apparent from the beginning that IV drug abusers were at risk for acquiring AIDS; however, the reason they were at risk apparently may have been totally misjudged by the CDC.

The assumption at the CDC was that IV drug abusers were at risk primarily because of the sharing of needles. That is, the virus was transferred from one person to another by the sharing of the needle used to inject the drug.

While this premise is undoubtedly true, the assumption that exposure to the virus alone could cause the condition known as AIDS is probably wrong.

According to Dr. Cesar A. Caceres, a Washington, DC, internist who has treated dozens of AIDS patients, "AIDS patients seem to have been people who already were sick in the sense of having a damaged immune system. Apparently most were sick because they abused drugs. And, we fear, some of today's drug abusers probably will be most of tomorrow's AIDS patients."

Indeed, interviews with gay physicians from coast to coast seem to back up this theory that most AIDS patients in the homosexual and bisexual category were drug or alcohol abusers. One Indiana physician stated categorically that all his AIDS patients had been or are drug and/or alcohol abusers.

Of the twelve AIDS patients known personally by this writer, all twelve have been serious substance abusers.

Phone interviews across the continent with people who know significant numbers of AIDS patients indicate that drug and alcohol abuse were problems with the overwhelming number of patients they knew.

The only physician not reporting a significant number of alcohol and drug abusers among his patients was Dr. Brett Cassens of Philadelphia, past president of the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights, who went on to state that there is "no question that alcohol and drugs lead to poor judgment as to the kind of sex they have."

When further questioned as to whether or not a study of alcohol and drug abuse as related to AIDS was warranted, Dr. Cassens gave an unqualified

"Yes."

An Indiana researcher from Purdue University, Dr. Robert Norton, has applied for a federal grant to study the needs of men most at risk for AIDS. One important aspect of Dr. Norton's research will center around drug and alcohol abuse as a possible co-factor leading to AIDS deaths.

Pre-Existing Immune System Damage Accounts for 85% of All AIDS Cases in U.S.

Pre-existing immune system damage can also be caused by poor environment (as is suspected in the case of the Haitians), serious illnesses (some of which may require blood product transfusions which could be tainted with the AIDS virus), repeated transfusions of blood products (as in the case of hemophiliacs), and deficiencies present at birth (the immune systems of the young are not fully developed or they may have a parent with AIDS).

All five of the above kinds of pre-existing immune system damage (drug abuse, poor environment, serious illness, repeated transfusions, and congenital deficiencies) may account for a staggering total of 85% of all AIDS cases in the U.S. according to Dr. Caceres.

The largest unanswered question appears to be finding the reasons why Blacks, Hispanics, and Gay Men are most afflicted by the condition called AIDS. The answer may be found by looking at the types of pre-existing immune system damage.

Blacks and Hispanics often live in poor environmental conditions and experience poor hygiene and diet. Blacks and Hispanics also suffer from high rates of drug and alcohol abuse.

The three cities in this country with the highest rates of AIDS are New York, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. All three cities are known drug capitals of the U.S., and all three cities have high percentages of their populations that come from the high risk groups of Blacks, Hispanics, and Gay Men.

But why Gay Men? Gay men, on the whole, certainly do not suffer from poor environment or nutrition due to poverty. But Gay Men do suffer from "social ostracism." This social ostracism of gay men is presumably what leads many gay men to abuse alcohol and drugs.

To be continued in next issue.

Opinion

Mud On The Strip

It's kind of sad to see how the writers of a small pamphlet they insist is a newspaper, keep on stirring up mud in the Community.

Concerning the IAF and their not having a Tax ID Number? — correction, Tax Exempt Number, it is true they don't have one. However, the law does not require an organization to have a Tax Exempt Number prior to soliciting funds. It does require that an organization apply for a Tax Exempt Number and gives an organization 15 months in which to get such a number.

During that time period all funds received are tax-deductible providing that an organization does get their Tax Exempt Number in the 15-month time period.

Here you have a case of where the law was just, the cause was just, and the IAF group was just. The unjust ones were the magazine?, the pamphlet?, or whatever they choose to call themselves when they underhandedly attacked the IAF in a scandalous manner.

I, for one, would not even consider hailing such an editorial

staff of any magazine. In fact, Llewella, I find them downright despicable.

Also, might I add, Llewella, that anyone who has attended social functions knows they almost always never start on time, so as to increase the excitement and anticipation of the audience. Hopefully you will come to realize this when you attend more functions in the future.

Another thing I must inform you of Llewella, is that awarding a disco owner a plaque at an event is a way of thanking him for supporting the IAF and the AIDS cause, it's not a testimonial. Goodness me, girl, if there's one thing you need it's a book of etiquette and manners. Who knows, maybe Santa will be nice and bring you one this year.

At any rate I'm glad to see that you signed your name to your article "On The Strip" in *X-tra X-tra*, Llewella. Even if your name may sound fictitious, at least it's more original than "Rebecca of Donnybrook Farm."

—Al Rattee
Editorial Assistant

Volleyball Standings

The South Bay Gay/Lesbian Volleyball League continues its rough and tumble excitement every Sunday afternoon at San Jose High School gym. And after six weeks of intensive competition, these are the team standings:

- First Place:**
Blue Bruisers: 18 wins, 3 losses, 298 points. Capt. Neil Christie
Co-Captain Kelly Rice.
- Second Place:**
Orange Crush: 17 wins, 4 losses, 260 points. Capt. Tom Ammon.
Co-Captain Emile Cuenca.
- Third Place:**
Purple Voyagers: 16 wins, 5 losses, 278 points. Capt. Phil David Soto. *Co-Captain Allen Popek.*
- Fourth Place:**
Red Hots: 12 wins, 9 losses and 253 points. Capt. Gary Lawson.
Co-Captain Joe Ramirez.
- Fifth Place:**
Silver Smurfs: 10 wins, 11 losses, 225 points. Capt. Ray Dominguez. *Co-Captain Robert Sissenstein.*
- Sixth Place:**
Golden Boys: 10 wins, 11 losses, 192 points. *Captain Don Lavoie.*
Co-Capt. Mark Francisco.
- Seventh Place:**
White Briefs: 9 wins, 12 losses, 252 points. Capt. Ed Durham.
Co-Capt. Scott Redeker and Greg Williams.
- Eighth Place:**
Burgundy Aloha: 6 wins, 15 losses, 236 points. Capt. Kaleo Kaluhiwa. *Co-Capt. Pat Thiels.*
- Ninth Place:**
Emerald City: 5 wins, 16 losses, 200 points. Capt. Goldy Montana. *Co-Capt. Mark McConnell.*
- Tenth Place:**
Rainbow Allstars: 3 wins, 18 losses, 185 points. Capt. Jim Hulseman. *Co-Capt. Lari Soa.*

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WINTER 86 SHOW CASE

By Ted Sahl

The second annual Winter Showcase sponsored by the Arts Council of Gay & Lesbian San Jose was attended warmly by hundreds of gay men and lesbians as they walked in, through, and around the sculpture by Steve Storz from outer space, watched Raymond Avalos create within a steel cage, as he literally transformed his own image into an art piece.

Shawn Stuart's bronze works, photographs by Ted Sahl, and photos by Birgit Sandoval, Mixed Media by Todd Cowan were included, and Duane Bousfield showed and did pastel/crayon drawings.

Live music was enjoyed, with Claire Mix singing her own original songs, and Polynesian dancing by Amelia King, always exciting to watch.

San Jose's Liedermann Gay Mens Chorus, under the direction of Dan Jepson, performed flawlessly with powering tones that demanded attention.

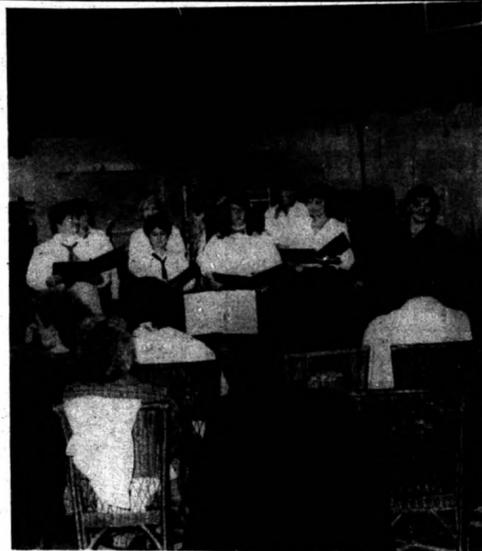
The South Bay Womyn's Chorus presentation of Christmas songs put everyone in a holiday mood — a powerful group of womyn who always sing from the heart.

The Arts Council has been busy in 1985, having sponsored the play *Execution of Justice*, a drama based on the assassination of Supervisor Harvey Milk and S.F. Mayor George Moscone; *The Word Is Art*, a poetry reading; and *The A.T.D.S. Show* performed by Theater Rhinoceros.

These events were made possible through the membership and voluntary efforts of many individuals from the gay community. The Council asks you to join them in producing these celebrations of gay/lesbian art.

You should have been there. □

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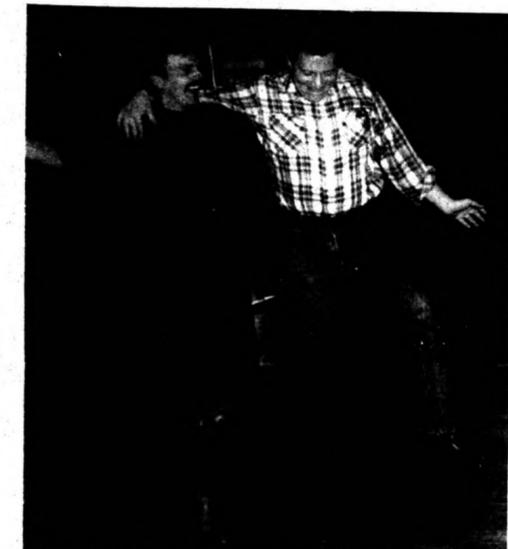
The bidding was fast and furious at an auction held last month at the Silver Fox to benefit the Imperial AIDS Foundation. Auctioneers extraordinaire Dennis Andrews (right) and Steve Completo (left), two owners of the Silver Fox, were hot once again. These two "sisters" could draw money out of a stone. Close to \$3,000 was raised for the support of AIDS patients. Photo by Ted Sahl



'Tis the season to be merry and jolly if you're Santa Claus — and if you're gay, always "very gay" — but more than that, a time to be with family and friends during the holiday season. For members of Metropolitan Community Church, the Christmas season means having a potluck dinner, spreading joy, enjoying good conversation with each other, and posing for a picture. Photo by Ted Sahl



It was called the End of an Era. On Dec. 1, the Boot Rack closed its doors on the Stockton Strip forever. Posters, pictures, bar lights were taken off the walls to be sold to the highest bidder, raising over \$1,000 for the ARIS Project to support people with AIDS. Jack Britton, owner of the Boot Rack, thanked everyone for supporting the bar. Photo by Ted Sahl



Getting The Spirit 1985
Photos by Ted Sahl

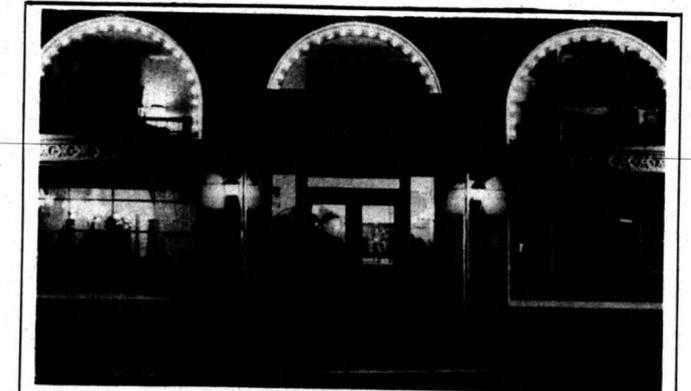
The old corral brought out all the tenderfoots for a western style night at the Interlude Nov. 29. No, it wasn't the Rocketts from Radio City, New York. Jim Schoeber and John Gavin did a darn good impersonation, minus the tights. Seems they just weren't in the mood for the square dancing lessons being offered as part of the evening's festivities.



Jim Stull (far right) and friends, all orphans, enjoyed Thanksgiving last month at the Renegades. Photo by Ted Sahl



At last month's auction & hot dog feed at Renegades, R.C. (left) was served by Ms. Buddy Mae. Food and auction items were donated for Mayor of Stockton Strip beer bust. Photo by Ted Sahl



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Where It's At!

By Dot James



Well, it's about time to eighty-six '85. I put my big typewriter in my mouth in my last column by saying I'd give you a run-down of the New Year's Eve activities around and about. In addition to my usual problem of missing connections with bar owners (which I could have dealt with eventually), I ran into another: at my deadline for this issue, many bars had not as yet firmed up their New Year's Eve plans. So, rather than favor the ones which have gotten their act together, I'll give you some general information: Of course, all of the bars — and the bathhouse — plan big festivities for the evening. Most will have a cover charge, and most will provide champagne and party favors at midnight so that their patrons can ring out the old and ring in the new with high style.

And all will be concerned to keep you around in '86; let the barkeep know, and he'll call a taxi for you. Or arrange to carpool with friends, with one of you designated as the nondrinking driver. Or make the one for the road a black coffee or a Calso, an hour before you're ready to go. Whatever you do, don't over-indulge and then hop behind the wheel of your two-ton weapon. It ain't fair to the rest of us.

New Year's Eve is one of my favorite holidays. (I like my birthday, too; I guess it's that ole sense of renewal.) And I like to go out on that evening. For those of you who always stay home New Year's Eve because of the drunks on the road, try a tip from the occult. Imagine a white light around you, your passengers, and your car as a shield of protection. But, as a Russian saying goes, "while you pray to God, row for shore." Stay alert and stay alive.

One more general tip: It will be a good idea, if you're planning to dine out, to call the restaurant of your choice in advance; reservations are probably advisable.

Those of you over forty remember the decorations in the department stores when you were kids? They always moved. I don't see that so much any more. If you're nostalgic for some this year, try to get over to **Desperados** between 11 p.m. and midnight during the holidays. The entire ceiling is decorated with gift-wrapped boxes, but at an appointed time between those hours, the boxes open and teddy bears descend!

Gil, the bartender at the **641 Club**, sez the bar will open at 6 a.m. on January 1, 1986, and serve eye-opener specials all day long.

And Richard Kendall sez the **Mayor's Council** is planning its second "Auld Lang Syne" Party for Friday, Dec. 27, from 8 to 12 p.m. at **Main Street**. It's the organization's annual "thank you" to the community for its support. The \$3 admission includes nibbling at the buffet table and a chance to win one of three \$25 door prizes. Costume buffs can win \$50 prizes in three categories: Best Formal, Best Costume, and Best Leather.

I had a chance a couple of weeks ago to check out some of our coastal gay bars, **After Dark** in Monterey and **The Blue Lagoon** and **Faces** in Santa Cruz. Give 'em a try when you're out that way.

I hit the first two in the early afternoon, so I don't know what the night life is like. At **Faces**, a converted warehouse with a huge dancefloor and two disco balls, the music is hot. I like the rustic look to the bar, too — very knotty pine-ish, with a handsome brick floor.

One of the most delightful Christmas presents I ever received was a small novel called **The Fur Person** by May Sarton; so if you haven't found anything yet for the cat-lover on your list, I've just solved your problem.

The reason I thought of it is that our cat, Andrew, on the day this paper comes out, will no longer be a "Gentleman Cat" but a "Cat of Peace." At a time when everyone else is putting out their Christmas balls, Andrew will be losing his.

I've had some really good experiences recently with some of **Our Paper's** advertisers. During my brief stint peddling advertising for the paper, I always felt a bit uncomfortable mentioning the advertisers, fearing it put me in a compromising position. (As I write this, I realize I, too, am currently an **Our Paper** advertiser. Ah, well, I suppose I've been compromised before.)

Anyway, I've been dealing with some of the folk listed under "Financial Services" in the centerfold directory. Now that sounds totally ludicrous on the face of it; I am not what you call affluent at the moment. But, as **Cary Christian** pointed out to me, everyone needs auto and home owner's (or renter's) insurance, no matter what her or his income level is. Even life insurance makes sense to me after talking to Cary, who asked, "If something happened to either you or Marilyn, could the other make the mortgage payment alone?"

I've been helped by both **Ruth Thomas** of Farmer's Insurance Company and Tom of **First National Mortgage** with a couple of things, and let me tell you, it is so nice not to have to explain Marilyn and our relationship.

Some months back, I was working for a gay woman who owns her own business; she had me call in **Prestige Electric** which did more than a great job for her. So I'm a firm believer in buying from "family" whenever possible.

Got your '86 pocket calendar yet? If so, and you're a woman, be sure to circle the weekend of May 2-4 for the North-west Women's Spirituality Retreat which will be held near Healdsburg. (The weather should be perfect for a spring weekend near the gay resorts on the Russian River.) Pat Evans of **MCC-San Jose** is one of the coordinators for the weekend; call her at the church for early info or stay tuned to this column for more info later on.

And, finally: belated Happy Chanukah greetings and wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous, and Healthy New Year to all of you, dear readers, from Marilyn and me (and Andrew).

And to Marilyn: Happy 45th birthday on Dec. 27. I love you.

Scrooge Is Alive and Well



Scrooge (Dakin Matthews, right) observes the happy Cratchit family on one of his fateful Christmas Eve journeys in a scene from the American Conservatory Theatre production "A Christmas Carol." The Charles Dickens classic was directed by Laird Williamson and co-adapted by Williamson and Dennis Powers. Photo by Larry Merkle

Theatre Review by Rick Rudy

Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* is celebrating its tenth year as the holiday show at ACT in San Francisco, and it has lost very little of its charm over the years.

William Paterson and Dakin Matthews are alternating the role of the miser who turns philanthropist, Ebenezer Scrooge. Matthews held forth on opening night and was a joy from his first sneer to his happy capering after his conversion to the Christmas spirit.

Many of the lines are so familiar to ACT theatre-goers by now that each "Bah! Humbug!" is eagerly awaited, and Scrooge's famous quibble "They had better die and decrease the surplus population," is almost chanted by the whole audience.

Matthews brings a nasal nastiness to the loveless Scrooge, but there is also a subtlety about his gradual awakening which adds a depth seldom applied to this character.

Henry Woronicz is a fine and warm Bob Cratchit, Scrooge's penniless clerk with the crippled son Tiny Tim. Woronicz also plays Marley's Ghost, but with much less success: the Ghost fails to arouse much fear, and seems interested mostly in how to get back up the stairs with all its chains.

Scott Bishop and Michelle Casey are a lovely couple as the Young Scrooge and Belle Cousins, especially as they "ice skate" around the stage. And Drew Eshelman is a delightful Fezziwig, puffed up and jolly as a Santa.

Johanna Jackson is a plump and pleasing hostess as Mrs. Fezziwig; but Elizabeth Padilla is a dull Mrs. Cratchit with little of the usual pique.

The five elderly businessmen who read of Scrooge's death in the paper, and find any excuse for not attending the funeral, are droll and spice up the somber scenes of Scrooge's future.

The dances, especially at Fezziwig's party, are festive, as are the beautiful costumes. The singing, however, was almost always out of sync with the sound track, and that made for some distressing moments.

The set, which seems to be a Victorian puzzle box of secret compartments and hidden toys, gradually comes apart during the play, leaving a scaffolding shell to hold the wreaths and garlands at the finale; a most pleasing effect.

The Little Prince Arrives

Theatre Review by Rick Rudy

Many of us who took French in high school read *The Little Prince* by Antoine De Saint Exupery and were captivated by it. Even in our struggling second-year French, it was charming and fun and slightly off-the-wall.

Now David Zucker has adapted this story for the stage, and it is playing at the Victoria Theatre in San Francisco, after several years in Boston, starring John Phillip Law as the Aviator.

The adaptation is conceived for an intimate theatre: no set but a raised oval platform and gossamer drapes, and no scenery but what can be mimed by the small cast. They are all skillful and engaging and faithfully recreate the universe of small planets, idiosyncratic characters and playful animals and plants.

John Phillip Law is The Aviator and narrator, low key, almost timid, but with a quiet warmth. He directs the play to the youngsters in the audience, so if you take a kid or two with you

it will be a lot more fun.

Two children alternate in the role of *The Little Prince*, Kris LeFran and Justin Whalin who played the part when I saw it. Whalin is an accomplished performer and does wonders with the pantomimes of growing baobab trees and taming a fox. His dialog is adequate; but his laugh, which unfortunately is central to the plot, is forced and artificial.

The supporting cast of five is excellent as a host of animals, flowers, walls, wells, volcanos, and so on. Especially noteworthy is James Tyrone-Wallace II as the Fox.

It is a short 1-1/2 hours, without intermission, and is wonderful for children, or adults who are willing to work at thinking like children again.

Reread the book, if only to remember how a boa constrictor can swallow an elephant, then grab an urchin and see *The Little Prince*.

SJ Rep to present Passion Play New Year's Eve show at Montgomery Theatre



Jonathan McMurtry and Laura Ann Worthen are featured as James and Kate in San Jose Repertory Company's production of *PASSION PLAY* playing at the Montgomery Theatre through January 19, 1986. For tickets, call (408) 294-7572. Photo by Charles I. Savadelis

San Jose Repertory Company will present the Northern California premiere of *Passion Play* by Peter Nichols at the Montgomery Theatre in downtown San Jose.

Opening night for this capricious look at modern love and marriage is set for Saturday, Dec. 28 at 8 p.m.

Joy Carlin will direct the drama, which is recommended for mature audiences.

For the first time in its five-year history, San Jose Rep will be offering a main stage production to Bay Area audiences over the holidays, including a unique opportunity for New Year's Eve — the first time professional theatre has been available to San Jose

theatre-goers. Curtain time on Tuesday, Dec. 31 is 8 p.m.

Passion Play will feature Frances Lee McCain and Jonathan McMurtry in the pivotal roles of Eleanor and James Croxley. Ms. McCain will be remembered for her recent roles in *Back to the Future*, *Gremlins*, and *Footloose*. Her television credits include appearances on *Dallas*, *Trapper John, M.D.*, and *St. Elsewhere*.

Mr. McMurtry's motion picture credits include *Front Page*, *Point Blank*, and *Girl from Petrovka*.

The play will run through Sunday, Jan. 19. For ticket reservations or information on group discounts, call San Jose Rep Box Office at (408) 294-7572.

Holmes in Evita

San Jose, CA — San Jose Civic Light Opera has announced the addition of Scott Holmes to the cast of *EVITA* in the role of Che, January 4-February 2, 1986.

Perhaps best known for his portrayal of David Greenberg on ABC's daytime drama *Ryan's Hope*, or as Speed on *One Life To Live*, Scott has an extensive background in theatre which includes the role of revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara in productions of *Evita* both on Broadway and for two years in the Los Angeles company where he originated the role.

Most recently seen on stage in New York City in the hit musical *Diamonds*, Scott's Broadway credits also include *The Rink* opposite Chita Rivera and Lisa Minelli and has appeared in *Grease* as Teen Angel and *Johnny Casino*.

He has toured in productions of *The Robber Bridegroom*, *Brigadoon*, *Shenandoah* and *Godspell*.

Scott joins former Los Angeles cast member, Loni Ackerman in the role of Evita, when San Jose Civic Light Opera presents *Evita* at the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, January 24-February 2, 1986.

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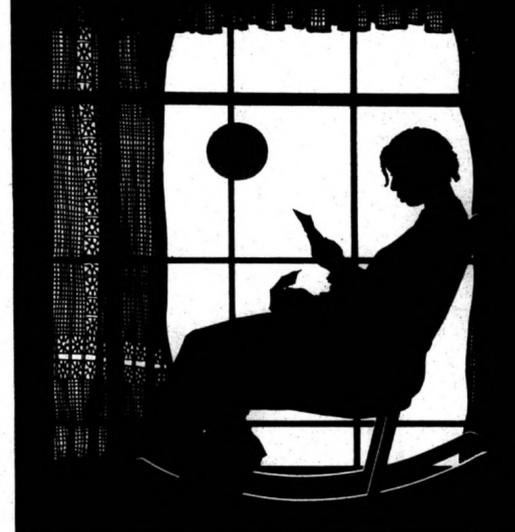
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The Color Purple



The Color Purple

Film Review by Dot James

"You black. You ugly. You poor. And you a woman. You ain't nothin'."

So says one of the males to his wife in *The Color Purple*, a film chronicling four decades of the lives of four women: Nettie, Sophia, Shug Avery, and, especially, Celie.

By the winter of 1909, fourteen-year-old Celie has given birth to her second child fathered by her "Pa." Before the afterbirth is even cleaned up, Pa rips the newborn from Celie's arms, claiming, as he did with the first, that he is taking it out into the woods to kill it.

Celie's youth is a youth of loss. She loses her mama. She loses her virginity to her Pa. She loses her children. She loses her ability to conceive others. And, shortly after an arranged marriage to Albert Johnson, a widower with three children, she loses her younger sister, Nettie, the only person with whom she's known love.

Life is hard for Celie and her black sisters in a remote section of Tennessee in the first four decades of the twentieth century. Sophia, who marries Celie's oldest stepson, sums it up: "All my life I had to fight. I had to fight my daddy. I had to fight my brothers. I had to fight my cousins and my uncles. A girl child ain't safe in a family of men."

But Celie's reply to her losses and a squalid and mean existence is her indomitable refusal to give

up or to give in. "Yes," she replies when Albert tells her she "ain't nothin'." "But I'm alive! I'm alive."

The film is, of course, based on the 1982 Pulitzer Prize winning novel by Alice Walker. Its director, Steven Spielberg, best known for his flights into fantasy, science fiction, and adventure, has created an evocative tapestry weaving together the novel's threads of white/black, man/woman, and woman/woman relationships.

Readers who have been eagerly awaiting the film may be disappointed to find the novel's prominent lesbian theme muted in the film. Yes, Celie and Shug still have an affair, but Spielberg has chosen to cloak it in a more universal — and less erotic — message about the kinship that can exist within the community of women, probably to make the film more palatable to the general public.

While I might have wished for more from the Celie-Shug relationship, I cannot otherwise fault the film. It is visually stunning; and Spielberg's symbols, for example, an empty mailbox to represent an empty life, are appropriate and satisfying.

"I think it pisses God off if you walk by the color purple in a field and don't notice," says Shug.

Don't walk by *The Color Purple*. Make it a part of your holiday happenings when it opens its run Dec. 20 at The Pruneyard Cinema in Campbell. □

A Higher Call to Sisterhood

by Diane H.

Lesbian Nuns: Breaking Silence, edited by Rosemary Curb and Nancy Manahan, brings to the surface realities which have existed, unspoken, for a long time. It is unimaginable that the silence continue any longer. The realities lived in some women's hearts long before the book was conceived, and will continue on long after the initial fervor of the book has died down.

Breaking Silence is a bold and vulnerable sharing of the stories of some women's lives. These women are nuns and ex-nuns; these sisters and former sisters are our sisters, and the stories are of their particular life experiences.

We, as a particular audience of lesbian laywomen, have a responsibility to them to listen without judging, to respect their process and struggle, and to be supportive and open in our responses.

After attending two Bay Area gatherings to welcome Rosemary and Nancy, I feel we need to examine our ability to do that.

The contributors gave themselves to the book freely and responsibly, trusting that the stories would be held in context, their essence preserved. The editors dedicated themselves to preserving that essence, and carefully and trustingly, brought the book into existence.

Our responsibility then, as an audience, is to continue that level of trust and care, in order to support the original intent of the book and the essence of the sharing it contains.

Unfortunately, we have no control over the reactions of other "audiences". Some people in the audience of the Phil Donahue Show may dwell in ignorance and narrowmindedness forever.

Others, such as those at *Forum*, (who bought some of the pieces from the book from the publisher, Naiad Press,) may consciously or otherwise betray that trust and attempt to destroy that essence.

But that essence cannot be destroyed. Even if others intend to exploit the book, they will not be successful.

Something that is pure by its very nature cannot be made impure. The purity of this book will remain, even when parts are taken out of context and misread.

If the stories are misunderstood, that is regrettable. Anyone who misreads it, looking for something to sexualize or sensationalize will be disappointed. Anyone who reads it openly will be touched, and will see the intent from which it was written.

We are very fortunate that the book has a life of its own; born of love, trust, sharing and openness. Born of breaking silence. Within that context, the intent of the contributors and editors remains intact.

We need to refuse to give away the power of that intent; we need to refuse to be the victims of the

exploiters' intentions. Through our refusals, the essence of the book remains.

Admittedly, we made some mistakes. We wish we had done certain things differently, or not said certain things at all. The feelings that arise from these mistakes are real and valid; fear, anger, being violated and exposed, being misunderstood.

My fear is that we will lose the essence and power of the original intent behind the book itself, by blaming our errors of judgment on ourselves and each other. By abandoning ourselves and each other, instead of continuing the love and trust, instead of beginning to heal.

"I did this for healing," says Manahan, in an interview in the *Scottsdale Daily Progress*. That is the point. It is about self-acceptance, loving ourselves, and "not living in fear of who we are", Manahan concludes. For true healing to occur, we need to look closely to see if we are at peace with our own spirituality and sexuality. No one can take that peace away.

If we cannot get in touch with that peace, we give our power away, through reactions of fear and anger, towards those who intend to exploit, or we may even unconsciously direct our uncertainties towards the women in this book who are sincerely attempting to validate and clarify their own sexuality within a spiritual context that we, as laywomen, have not experienced.

Nuns choose a life of spiritual intent, service and dedication in a way that most of us would not consider. We have chosen different contexts within which to express our sexuality. The underlying spirituality is the same, I believe, and therein lies our bond and our power, if we choose to own it.

If we also choose to define our lesbianism (as Rosemary does in her piece in the book), as a "primary spiritual and political commitment to loving women, as well as our sexual orientation, but not necessarily our sexual activity," this daringly ventures far beyond most definitions, and provides us with another common bond with our religious sisters.

These bonds are critical. Somewhere along the way, someone has attempted to separate and isolate our religious sisters from us; to make them seem odd and different, sacred and otherworldly. And we complied, by putting them on pedestals and idolizing, or by rebelling and pulling away, resenting the influence they (and the Church) had on our lives.

We neglected to really see who these women are, human beings with spiritual and sexual natures often similar to our own.

Breaking Silence is a huge step in beginning to close that separation, and answer that higher call to sisterhood. □

Gay Teachers

Nancy Bailey was elected chair of the California Teachers Association Gay/Lesbian Caucus at its October inaugural meeting held in conjunction with CTA State Council of Education meeting.

The board of directors of the 160,000-member teacher union officially recognized the caucus after receiving a petition last June from 20 elementary, jr.-sr. high school, and college faculty CTA and CFA members.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 25 at the Airport Hilton near San Francisco.

The Caucus agenda includes Gay/Lesbian issues in education: dignity and positive images for Gay/Lesbian students, AIDS education in the public schools and CTA policy on civil rights protections for students with AIDS, employment rights for Gay/Lesbian faculty, CTA policy and lobbying positions on state legislation related to Gay/Lesbian concerns in the public schools of California.

Ron Schmidt of Sunnyvale, former Entertainment Editor of Our Paper, was appointed as information disseminator for the northern district. He can be reached at (408) 737-0214. Membership is open to all members of CTA and its affiliates. □

New NOW Leader

Robin Yeamans, attorney at law, has been elected to serve a one-year term as coordinator for the San Jose/South Bay chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW).

Ms. Yeamans, a 1969 graduate of Stanford Law School who specializes in family law, has served as Judge Pro Tempore in San Jose Superior Court and Sunnyvale Municipal Court.

She has taught "Women and Law" courses at Sacramento State University and has published articles ranging from the effects of divorce on Santa Clara County women to the political and legal aspects of pornography.

As the leader of San Jose NOW, Yeamans' major goals for the chapter are establishing greater reproductive freedom, combating employment discrimination, and including a wider spectrum of the San Jose community in the women's movement. □

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Based on Lyndon LaRouche's National Democratic Policy Committee's "Memorial Bill to Stop AIDS," O'Neil's resolution was given no chance of passage by openly gay Boston City Councillor David Scondras.

"I've been working with AIDS experts to educate and keep my colleagues informed," said Scondras. "They know enough to recognize this dangerous garbage."

With less than twenty-four hours notice, Boston's lesbian and gay community generated hundreds of phone calls to Council offices and turned out dozens of activists at the Council meeting.

Lesbian and gay organizers were joined by Boston NOW and other progressive groups in activating phonetrees.

"The phones were crazy," reported an aide to a Councillor representing a traditionally conservative area of Boston. "Everyone was against it."

In the face of overwhelming opposition, O'Neil withdrew his resolution.

"[These] recommendations are a sham that are not related to science, medicine, or good public

health policy," said AIDS Action Committee Executive Director Larry Kessler.

"For O'Neil to become a mouthpiece for Lyndon LaRouche further demonstrates that he knows little about AIDS and even less about the politics, the etiology, and epidemiology of this virus and epidemic."

Councillor Scondras pledged to continue working with AIDS experts and other councillors "to insure that our policy debates are based on fact not prejudice, compassion not bigotry. The unequivocal opposition to today's measure is a tribute to all those who have been working so hard for an informed, rational AIDS policy." □

NGTF

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on AIDS funding, which has been very large. NGTF has convinced Congress and the White House to allocate more funds for AIDS funding than ever agreed upon before.

In addition, almost a year ago, NGTF worked with H.E.W. and other governmental agencies to agree on anonymity policies for those people who have taken the HTLV-3 test, so that the pool of people could not then be released, and people be put on quarantine, or be badgered because of possible test results.

The controversy of the HTLV-3 test, past and present, has become somewhat less confusing . . . While the test has gotten better . . . being positive does not mean you have the disease. □

Consequently, it is important people not be identified to their employers, police, or insurance companies based on a test that is unclear.

OP: *What does the NGTF plan for the future?*

RR: The NGTF has just agreed to move its headquarters to Washington, D.C. to be more effective in lobbying.

The areas most concerned are continuing on the AIDS crisis, pointing out the need for more AIDS funding, research, and education.

Another important issue we will be working on is amending the U.S. immigration laws to allow gay men and lesbian women to enter the United States — and finally, to work on security clearances and problems of gay people in the military, those kinds of concerns. □

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