

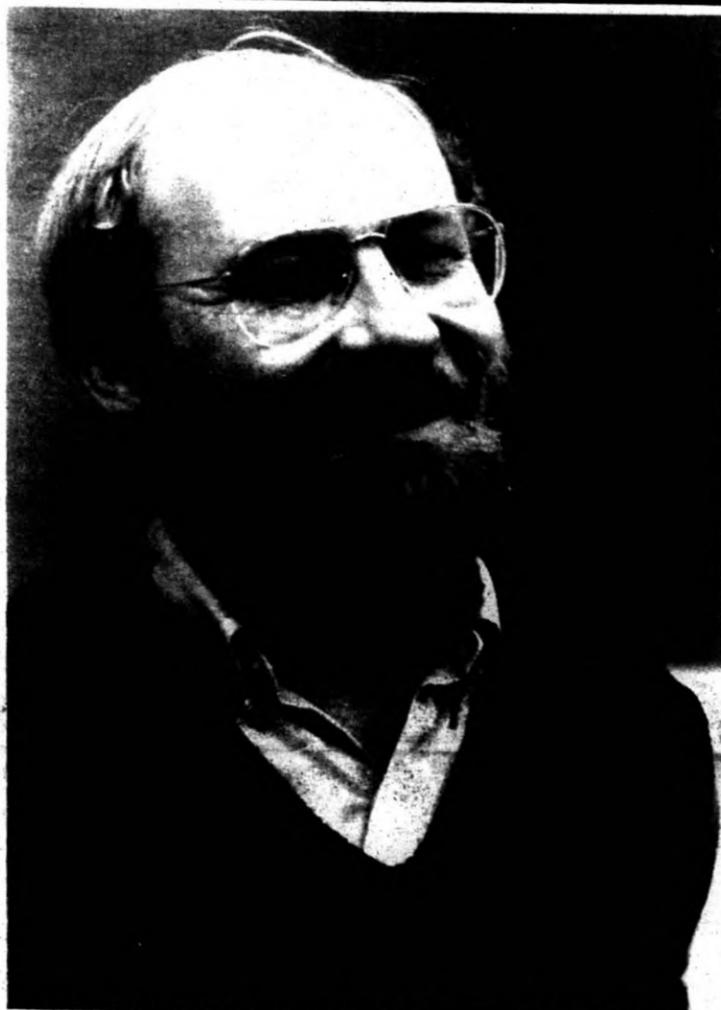
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John Laird, former Mayor of Santa Cruz. Photo by Ted Sahl

Gay Mayor bares all...

by Ted Sahl

For those of you who want to know everything about a gay Mayor and more, you missed that opportunity offered by the Gay/Lesbian Law Students Association, Santa Clara University.

Former Mayor of Santa Cruz, John Laird, who happens to be an openly gay man and presently a city councilmember in Santa Cruz spoke at the University January 8th.

Laird spoke on his life as a "Gay Mayor," it's trials and tribulations, and rewards. A wonderfully funny man with a Mark Twain sense of humor delighted his audience.

"Harvey Milk made it possible for all gay men and women to run for political office," said Laird, "more important, Harvey proved it could be done."

"The Los Angeles Time did a poll back in December primarily on AIDS, however, one of the questions asked was, 'Would you vote for an openly gay politician?'"

"I can't quote the statistics, but I was shocked at how many people categorically said they wouldn't. I think it's a misleading assumption if you ask, would you vote for a stereotype. Nobody actually thinks that there is somebody like me who has worked as a county administrator for ten years. Was a congressional assistant; had an honor's degree in politics; was on the charter founding committee for the community credit union and served on it's board; worked for the ACLU; in Democratic politics; and worked hard on the campaign of my first congressman."

"So, by the time I was ready to run for political office, the fact that I was gay, really wasn't much of an issue. It all really rises and falls on my ability to do the job — and that's the important message to get across. And that leads me into how it all came about."

"With my election in 1981, and that of someone I was running with, we brought the first progressive majority to power in Santa Cruz."

"With my first election, the way I decided to handle the issue of my being gay was to list all my gay affiliations everywhere; in resumes; in statements and talks about gay issues where they were relevant."

"I didn't expect to make a big deal about my sexuality," said Laird. "I did expect my opponent to do that at some point, so I did it and kept it low key."

"I was able to garner a unanimous vote to become Mayor of the council that operates on a rotational system. Next came interviews."

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AIDS Medi-Cal bill passes first hurdle

Sacramento — Legislation allowing persons with AIDS on Medi-Cal to keep a larger portion of their income passed the Senate Health and Human Services Committee on Jan. 15.

Senator Milton Marks (D-S.F./Marin), author of SB-1328, said the bill would be the first salvo fired in a battle to increase services and assistance to persons with AIDS.

Under current procedures, applicants for assistance must contribute most assets, or monthly income above \$504 to be eligible for Medi-Cal. "Medi-Cal assistance for your health needs," Marks said, "really

means impoverishment for many people.

"Leaving individuals with \$504 per month for all other living expenses is simply inhumane," Marks continued.

This bill would raise the contribution, or "spend-down" limit to \$800, allowing AIDS patients, many of whom receive only disability payment, a greater monthly income.

Marks explained to the committee how most persons with AIDS suffer emotional and financial trauma.

"Loss of jobs, health insurance, friends, family, and homes

only begins the list of crises," Marks said.

"Many cannot afford decent housing, or even a regular meal. . . Many suffer periods of immobility, confined to a bed and unable to care for themselves."

"Some find themselves on the street, without adequate clothing, shelter, or nutrition."

The bill was passed on a 6-2 vote. The Health and Human Services Committee also passed SB-1327 by Marks, which directs a study on the feasibility of state assumption of private insurance premiums for persons with AIDS and other victims of catastrophic illnesses.

A.S.A. "Deplores" Discrimination

Commentary by Rick Rudy

"Be it resolved that the American Statistical Association deplores any form of discrimination on the basis of sexual behavior between consenting adults in private." This is the culminating statement of over a year's negotiation by NOGLSTP (National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientific and Technical Professionals) and the ASA.

Announced as a great achievement in gay rights, one might read "deplores" as a remarkably weak word for an organizational policy statement on anti-discrimination. "Refuses to tolerate," or "prohibits" would certainly have been more logical choices.

The preamble is written in lofty language:

"Whereas some American scientists are members of sexual minorities (e.g., homosexuals, transvestites, transsexuals), and

"Whereas these persons may be valued members of their professions [emphasis added], capable of making great contributions to the progress of

science and to the national welfare, and

"Whereas there still exist many forms of discrimination against these scientists because of their sexual orientation, without regard to their professional qualifications, and

"Whereas because of this discrimination some scientists are denied an opportunity to practice their professions and others are treated inequitably in terms of salary, promotion, or assigned duties, and

"Whereas such discrimination constitutes a loss to science and an injustice to these individuals,

Therefore, be it resolved that the ASA deplores any form of discrimination. . ."

The report (*Amstat News*, November, 1985, page 4) does not state if stronger language was proposed and defeated, or if this was the entire text as written by NOGLSTP for ASA consideration.

NOGLSTP claims to represent all gay and lesbian technical

professionals in its dealings with the press and with national scientific organizations. Is this an example of national leadership?

It is important for businesses, schools, governments, organizations, etc. to adopt positive policies against discrimination based on sexual orientation, but such policies need to have teeth in them, or why bother at all?

Merely to deplore discrimination without prohibiting it is more of a slap in the face than a declaration of support.

We can all deplore the fact that this policy is so weak and demand that future negotiations by NOGLSTP (or others) lead to policies with enough substance to support redress should the need occur.

It would be very ungrateful, however, not at least to salute the obviously dedicated effort of the NOGLSTP staff which went into working towards the necessary goal of nationwide non-discrimination.

Gay Vets get base exposure

The Gay Veterans Association announced today its plans to place an information brochure in two hundred military installations across the United States.

This announcement comes after several meetings with the GVA and the Director of Legislation and Legal Policy for the Department of Defense, Colonel Thomas R. Cuthbert.

GVA President, John Paine, says the decision on the part of the Department of the Defense represents an important milestone for the Gay Vets in their quest for formal recognition by the armed services and veterans organizations.



EBL/GDC: (Left to right) Bob Kegeles, political action chair; Burt Gerrits, public relations officer; Mildred Dickeman, vice president; Tom Brougham, president; Peter Babcock, finance chair; Alan Collins, corresponding secretary.

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High Tech Gays surveys Silicon Valley employers

High Tech Gays, an organization of professional gay men and women in Silicon Valley, recently conducted a survey of area employers.

HTG's Political and Business Action Committee (PABAC) mailed questionnaires to personnel managers in nearly 120 companies.

The survey is part of a nationwide "Corporate Outreach" program by local organizations to promote gay rights in the workplace.

Its purpose was to gain an understanding of attitudes toward gay employees.

Although only one company responding indicated it had a written nondiscrimination policy regarding sexual orientation, there are several companies in Silicon Valley which have such policies. These include ROLM, Varian, Apple and ASK.

Exactly half the respondents felt they had informal policies of nondiscrimination.

While seventy-six percent had never even considered such a policy, slightly more than half would be willing to.

Sixty percent would expect no

effect from a formal policy.

Negative or positive effects were anticipated by 20 percent each.

Most of the comments emphasized work performance over personal matters in determining qualifications.

Nearly all indicated that sexuality in general and homosexuality in particular have absolutely no effect on work performance.

Only two respondents mentioned any reservation about hiring or promoting a gay person to certain positions.

They specifically mentioned "marketing or sales where there is contact with customers" and "any with public contact for 'blatantly' gay employees."

HTG has many members whose successful careers involve sales/marketing or public contact.

All but one respondent personally knew a gay man or woman.

Although eighty-one percent invited "significant others" (which would include gay couples) to company functions, twenty-eight percent were unaware of any gay employees in their own company.

Sixty percent had read at least one book dealing with the subject of homosexuality.

According to a PABAC representative, "The relative invisibility of gay people is both cause and effect of discrimination.

An informal survey of HTG members revealed that less than

fifteen percent were "out" at work.

Gay employees feel reluctant to participate in company functions with their loved ones since at least some co-workers are likely to have a negative reaction.

You may never have seen a gay couple at a company function, which is very surprising when you consider that ten percent of the population is gay.

The discrimination is subtle, but very real.

It is usually easier on a daily basis to avoid the issue, than to face it."

PABAC is also currently working with the Northern California Technical Personnel Committee and the local chapter of the American Society of Personnel Administration to encourage nondiscrimination regarding sexual orientation.

One of the major obstacles is a reluctance to adopt any policy not required by law or legal precedent.

Title VII of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, age, marital status or disability, but not sexual orientation.

In 1973 the Civil Service Commission issued a directive which does afford protection for gay civilians employed by the Federal Government.

A bill is pending in the California Legislature which would prohibit discrimination regarding sexual orientation for companies with five or more employees.

This same bill, AB-1, was passed by both the state Assembly and Senate in 1984, but was vetoed by Governor Deukmejian.

Study shows physicians attitudes towards homosexuality

A recent study published in January 1986 issue of *The Western Journal of Medicine* show significant negative attitudes among physicians toward homosexuality.

A research team consisting of faculty from three San Diego colleges and universities conducted the study using questionnaires distributed to the entire membership of the San Diego County Medical Society.

The questionnaire, separating respondents by the area of medical specialty, asked how physicians felt toward homosexual applicants to medical school, homosexuals seeking residency training, referrals to homosexual physicians, and treatment of homosexual patients.

When asked if a "highly qualified applicant" should be admitted to medical school, 29.7 percent of the physicians responded negatively.

Differences among areas of specialty on this item were significant. Forty-nine percent of orthopedic surgeons were opposed, while only 9.2 percent of psychiatrists were opposed.

In answer to another survey question, homosexual physicians would find the most opposition if they sought residency training in pediatrics (45 percent) or psychiatry (39 percent).

It is interesting to note, however, that pediatricians and psychiatrists themselves did not share this negative view of homosexuals entering their own fields of specialty.

Only 1.6 percent of psychiatrists would discourage residency in their own field. Referrals to known homosexual physicians would be discontinued by substantial numbers of responding physicians.

According to the study, more than 40 percent would discon-

tinue referrals to homosexual pediatricians and psychiatrists, a quarter to homosexual general surgeons, and nearly a fifth to homosexual radiation therapists.

The smallest loss of referrals would be from psychiatrists, pediatricians, and internists.

When asked how physicians feel toward treating homosexual patients, the majority (60.6 percent) reported "no negative feelings;" whereas, 39.4 percent felt "sometimes" or "often uncomfortable."

However, of those who reported being "often uncomfortable," fewer pediatricians and internists were represented; no psychiatrists reported feeling "often uncomfortable."

The head of the research team, Dr. Christopher Mathews, noted that the study was conducted before widespread media attention to AIDS.

According to Dr. Mathews, "If the study were conducted today, it would be very difficult to distinguish between homophobia and the stigma which has been associated with AIDS."

Mathews went on to say that various studies have suggested that negatively stereotyped patients receive less adequate health care.

Furthermore, the study shows that sexual orientation is a barrier to professional entry and pursuit of specialty practice no matter how highly qualified the individual.

In addition to Dr. Mathews who is presently a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar at the UCLA Center for Health Sciences, the research team included Professor Lois Kessler of San Diego State University and sociologists Mary W. Booth and John D. Turner of Grossmont Colleges.

EBL/GDC 1986 Officers Chosen

Tom Brougham was unopposed for re-election as President of the East Bay Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club. Also re-elected at the regular monthly meeting of the Club on January 12, were Lana Hameister as Treasurer, Alan Collins as Corresponding Secretary, and Burt Gerrits as Public Relations Officer. Mildred Dickeman is the new Vice President, Bob Kegeles is the Political Action Chair, and Peter Babcock is Finance Chair. The office of Recording Secretary remains vacant. Armand Boulay will continue on the Executive Committee as Immediate Past President.

Mary Ann Brownstein and Eric Hsu, the original Vice President and Recording Secretary of the Club, did not seek re-election. Both were acclaimed for their dedicated service to the Club. Brownstein will become the Club's newsletter editor. This job has heretofore been a part of the Recording Secretary's work, but it was separated from that office through bylaw changes adopted at the same meeting.

The EBL/GDC is deeply in-

olved in formulating and promoting AIDS anti-discrimination ordinances under consideration in three East Bay cities. The ordinance in Berkeley is expected to be adopted soon, and those in Oakland and Hayward probably will be adopted later this spring. A delegation of Club members were prominent advocates at a Social Services Committee meeting of the Oakland City Council on January 14.

The Club is also concerned about the Berkeley Co-op election in which the Coors boycott is an important issue. At the January 12 meeting the Club affirmed its support of the boycott and urged its members who are also Co-op members to support the boycott in the Co-op election.

President Brougham and Political Action Chair Kegeles attended the quarterly meeting of the California Association of Lesbian/Gay Democratic Clubs in Los Angeles on the weekend of January 18-19.

Additional information about this active club can be obtained by telephoning (415) 843-2459. ●

Coors Beer Banned in Boston

Responding to a resolution submitted by openly gay Boston City Councillor David Scondras, on January 15 the Boston City Council established by unanimous vote a Council policy "discouraging official City participation in any event involving the promotion of Coors beer."

"Coors has a long history of anti-gay, anti-labor, and racist business practices," said Scondras. "I am proud that my colleagues and I have clearly stated that we want nothing to do with promoting Coors and what it stands for."

Susan Franzblau, a member of the Lesbian and Gay Focus of the Boycott Coors Task Force, told gay and lesbian activists the morning of the Council vote that Joseph Coors sits on the national board of Morality in Media, a group that held a forum in Boston to advocate quarantining AIDS patients in an old leper colony in Boston Harbor.

"Coors founded and funds the Moral Majority whose leader, Jerry Falwell, has advocated quarantines for people with AIDS and has put full-page ads in the *Readers Digest* urging

millions of readers to 'clean up America' of its gay people," continued Franzblau, "but to merely suggest... that Coors funds a few right wing organizations is to misunderstand... the Coors company..."

Franzblau went on to charge Coors with busting 21 unions in the last 20 years, giving lie detector tests asking questions about sexual preference, continuing to demand the right of search and seizure of workers' personal property, reserving the right to force employees to submit to physical exams, and intimidating workers into opposing the Equal Rights Amendment and the Civil Rights Act.

"The City of Boston has done something that every major and progressive city in the country should do," noted long-time gay activist and Northern California Coordinator of the Coors Boycott Committee (AFL-CIO) Howard Wallace noted. "It's terrific and proves that the boycott will follow Coors wherever it goes. If the boycott has the same success on the East Coast as it has had on the West Coast, Coors is in serious trouble." ●

GAY MAYOR

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with the local papers as well as the Mercury News. One of the first questions was, 'Are you Gay?' I answered yes. The reporter was real surprised and just sat quietly for a minute, he didn't know what to do or say.

"Next came, 'What will it be like to the first Gay Mayor of Santa Cruz?' I just grinned and said, 'The first openly gay Mayor.'

"Well, next day the Mercury ran the interview. I even made the Paul Harvey News which I'm real proud of because it was such a classic, 'you'll never guess what they did in Santa Cruz...'

"I can't begin to tell you how very hostile one of the local papers was. They ran a banner headline about myself and an opponent during the heat of the campaign, accused us of laundering money as well as other accusations on the election. We had an attorney there that very afternoon. In a week they had to run a retraction, front page. We sued for 3 million, but dropped it after a year when the rent control campaign was over.

"During one of the many newspaper calls to me I said, well, there is this bill in the legislature right now called AB-1... Basically what it says is nondiscrimination. You ought to be judged on merit, and what you can do, not by whether you are gay, and that's the issue here. Can't someone be Mayor, do a good job, be qualified and not be judged on the basis of being gay? The issue is AB-1, it's an issue of me being Mayor in Santa Cruz.

"That played real well all the way through. I got an amazing amount of kudos from people who were political supporters and people who weren't.

"I got almost 300 letters and telegrams the first couple of days and only two negative letters.

"The letters were incredibly moving, one from a woman who said, 'I have three sons who are gay. You make me proud of my children.'

"The most interesting thing was my family. They live in the East Bay. We have had what I characterize as a "leave it to Beaver" upbringing. All of a sudden my parents are reeling from every new development. They had just recovered from me when my brother shows up with his lover for Christmas. My mother's comment, which I think is a classic, when the news stories began on me, she would slap her forehead and say, 'there goes my closet-parenthood.'

To be continued in next issue.

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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

REALTORS ABSOLVED

Editor's Note: On Jan. 21, under a headline "State realtors advised to reveal if previous occupant had AIDS," the Associated Press reported that the California Realtors Association is advising agents to tell clients if a former homeowner had the disease. "The reality is that agents are being sued and threatened with lawsuits if they do not disclose this," said Stephen Groome, an attorney for the association. An attorney for the State Department of Real Estate questioned the need for such disclosures, according to the AP report. The following letter and document were sent to Our Paper by the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence.)

Stephen Groome
c/o California Association
of Realtors
525 S. Virgil Avenue
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Stephen,

You poor dear, you. After hearing about CAR's advisory to realty agents to discuss the health history of former homeowners to prospective buyers, I know you are in need of major relief.

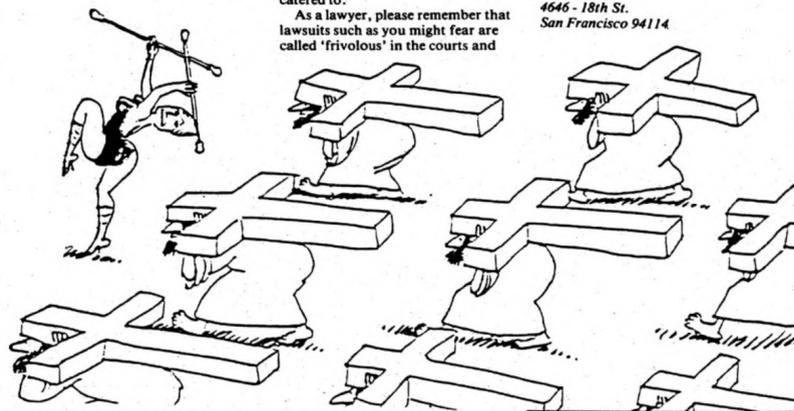
To that end, I am sending you a full and complete absolution of the guilt which you and the Association must be suffering from.

It's soooooo sad, certainly quite tired and definitely counter-productive to see fear of public misperceptions influencing what should be combatted rather than catered to.

As a lawyer, please remember that lawsuits such as you might fear are called 'frivolous' in the courts and

summarily dismissed. As a member of the inflammatory left, I'm an expert on frivolity, which definitely has its place — but let's get real, O.K.? And here's a helpful thought: Why not offer clients literature which answers such misperceptions and eases fears? That's the thoughtful, helpful and grown-up thing to do, and your mommy would be proud.

Love and knishes,
Sister Sadie, Sadie, the Rabbi Lady
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ARIS REPORT

Here is a copy of the 1986 Financial Report of the ARIS Project that was presented to the ARIS Board of Directors at its monthly business meeting on Monday, Jan. 27.

All of us on the Board want to express through Our Paper our sincere appreciation to all the people who gave their time and money to the fundraisers and to those people who made donations to ARIS Project.

We at ARIS appreciate the fine coverage you have given to our organization during the past year.

Sincerely,
Jim Junkin
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Donations	\$ 5,525.35
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Sale of Books	136.00
Training Fees	5,105.11
Christmas Party	36.00
	\$13,355.12

Expenses	
Training Workshop 1	2,237.97
Training Workshop 2	1,245.60
Training Workshop 3	190.56
ARIS Training Manuals	869.23
Shanti Training	300.00
Books (Living w/AIDS)	165.00
Rent Meeting Room	12.50
Office Supplies	125.00
Bank Fees	26.16
Printing	500.44
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Christmas Party	50.00
Donation to MCC-SJ	250.00

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HELP on AIDS information

Dear Gay/Lesbian Publisher:

I need your help. For many months now I have been researching the possible link between AIDS deaths and drug abuse. My research has led me to believe that there is a definite link between the two. In the next phase of my research I need your assistance.

I have neither the money nor the state connections necessary to check into this connection in each state or even in various cities.

I would like to enlist your assistance in an attempt to find out if a relationship between AIDS and drug abuse exists in your area of the country. Specifically, I need the following questions answered:

1. Has your city, county, or state collected information on AIDS patients separate from the CDC reporting form? In particular, have they asked questions of AIDS patients concerning their drug and/or alcohol use? If that information has not been collected by governmental agency, then I ask you to go to physicians who are treating AIDS patients for information. Or you might ask your city, county or state

to collect this information on the AIDS patients still living.

2. What is your definition of "drug abuse"? I would suggest using a definition that would preclude the occasional use of recreational drugs, and stick to one that would include only the regular user.

3. Did the drug abuse occur primarily during periods of sexual activity?

I know this is a tall order. I would hope that some of you will take this as seriously as I do.

If a link can be established between AIDS and drug abuse, then I fervently believe that we can control the number of AIDS deaths.

I also think that such a link will go a long way toward reducing the sexual lifestyle stigma now associated with AIDS.

call me if you have any questions. Thanks in advance for your help. By the way, I know this may take several months of work to obtain the data. Those who participate will have priority access to the results.

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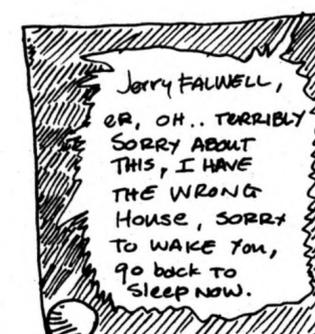
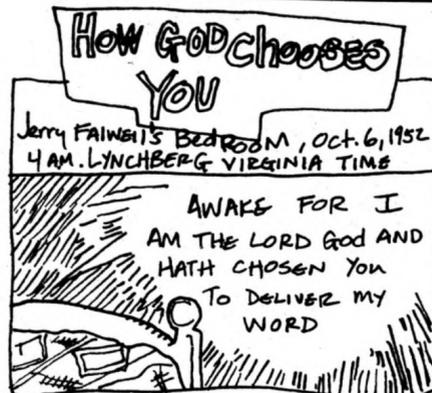
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Now or Never!!

By Ted Sahl

Bay Area Municipal Elections Committee, BAYMEC, is a political action committee based in San Jose whose purpose is to contribute funds to candidates supportive of human rights and, in particular, lesbian and gay rights. BAYMEC went before the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors to present a proposal asking the board to provide for adequate services to AIDS patients in Santa Clara County.

Ken Yeager, treasurer for BAYMEC explained, "speaking in favor of the plan, Dr. Ira Greene, who is a physician with V.M.C. Valley Medical, and Ron Taylor, a board member of BAYMEC: as well as serving on the ARIS Board of Directors.

The nine points of the plan submitted to the Board calls for more action in dealing with AIDS. V.M.C. to this date reports 101 cases of the disease.



Ken Yeager, founder of BAYMEC

Photo by Ted Sahl

"BAYMEC requested \$60,000 for the ARIS project to establish a residential care facility, and other items dealing with higher service levels for AIDS patients," said Yeager.

He quoted Supervisor Wilson who said "BAYMEC's proposal was reasonable, and well thought out" and added that The Board of Supervisors were surprisingly considerate of BAYMEC's proposal.

After discussion with us over certain points, the Board voted to direct staff to report back on all nine points; that will happen on Feb. 11. In regards to the \$60,000 for ARIS: Yeager said, "there was discussion on trying to find those funds for the media budget review which occurs in late January. BAYMEC was elated, and surprised that the Board was willing to move that quickly on providing funds. Obviously, we're all delighted."

Yeager was quick to point out, "we don't know, of course, if we will get the entire amount; but we feel the effort was a good step in the door, and will enable us to go back in June and ask for \$120,000 for the fiscal year, 1986-87.

In addition, BAYMEC asked

for a county-wide AIDS taskforce that would include members of the gay/lesbian community as well as all the "players" in the county dealing with the AIDS program.

This is mainly to increase communication: to share information; and a way to know exactly what the county is doing.

Our Paper reminded Yeager that while the Board agreed to join ABAG in a joint information project on AIDS and to put \$10,000 or more into that project (a small figure): did he really think he could get as much as \$120,000 for ARIS?

Yeager believed it really helped to have two speakers from the county talking about the mental health problems concerning AIDS. It was the first time we had gone before the Board with a full presentation; and one had the feeling prior to this, that the Board really didn't understand in a public way all the problems concerning AIDS, even though we had been before them on a

one-to-one basis.

Dr. Greene and Ron Taylor spoke effectively of the mental health problems, and I think the Board of Supervisors listened carefully, understood, and showed compassion for AIDS patients.

Yeager feels that it might be premature to say, "we'll get the full \$60,000; but certainly the Board said they would direct their staff to try to find some funds that could go to the ARIS project.

When asked if BAYMEC would settle for half that much, Yeager replied: "If we discovered that they were very tight of money, and there wasn't much money available, we would certainly accept \$30,000." He quickly added, "I'm not sure we would accept that amount until we were assured that other monies were not available."

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An Evening of Talent

By Al Rattee

The Imperial AIDS Foundation put on a show for the community at Kevan's place.

The performers entertained for a crowd of about 50 people. As for the show, it was about 2 hours long, I guess one could say it was short and sweet.

But for a show, it was fabulous in that it was literally packed with professional talent.

Rachel, who MC'd the show was a real eye-opener. I'm not talking about her gowns, I'm referring to her hair. Now I've seen wigs, but Rachel's were like literal mountains of hair. No wonder the poor girl said she was dizzy. But dizzy or not, Rachel provided the audience with an evening of laughter and fun.

Like Nikki Nations, I feel, was tremendous in her attire and particularly in her number of *Reach Out* by Diana Ross and the Supremes. I think one of the nicest things about Nikki throughout the whole evening was her loving smile. It made her and her costumes even more beautiful and that she radiated with so much love and happiness.

Another entertainer who was fabulous with her singing and guitar playing was Claire Mix. This real woman was very talented in that she wrote her own songs and put the words to music. And the songs dealing with Gay Life were very funny and very original.

So if you missed seeing Claire be sure to see her in future shows, because if you want to see a lady who has both beauty and brains and really knows how to sing, then by all means go see Claire.

And last, but not least the show ended with 3 songs sung by Kevan himself. A song I particularly liked that Kevan sang was *All Night Long* by Lionel Richie. Also a special thanks to Kevan for allowing the show to be performed at his disco.

What more can I say, but a big thank you to the Imperial AIDS Foundation for putting on a truly impressive show of talent and entertainment.

Sports News Flash!!!

Goldy Montana has resigned AS VOLLEYBALL COMMISSIONER AFTER A FIVE-SEASON STINT ON THE SPORT'S THRONE. The new prince of volleyball is a dandy!! Sports fans are looking forward to the new reign. Goldy says it was a blast and tons of fun.

The South Bay Volleyball League held its annual spring organizational meeting on Thursday, January 9, 1986. The meeting was called to order by the former volleyball commissioner Goldy Montana.

The first order of business was the selection of new captains for the spring league. The following are the results:

- Mark Francisco - Blue Bruisers
- Ray Dominguez - Emerald City
- Greg Williams - Purple Voyagers
- Ed Durham - White Briefs
- Gary Lawson - Red Hots
- Tom Ammon - Orange Crush
- Dick Haese - Silver Smurfs
- Scott Redeker - Golden Boys
- Phil-David Soto - Rainbow Aloha

Brief filed in Supreme Court in Georgia Sodomy Case

San Francisco - National Gay Rights Advocates filed a brief today with the United States Supreme Court in the most important case of the century for gay men and women.

The Court is expected to rule this Spring in the case of *Bowers v. Hardwick* as to whether a state may criminalize private adult sexual conduct.

Laurence Tribe, the widely respected Harvard Law School professor and constitutional scholar is representing Michael Hardwick.

Hardwick was arrested in his own bedroom in Atlanta, Georgia and charged with sodomy, a felony carrying a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison.

Leonard Graff, NGRA Legal Director, said, "The state of Georgia exceeds its inherent police power when it criminalizes private sexual conduct by adults. The constitution does not permit such far reaching regulation of American citizens' lives."

The new volleyball commissioner for the spring league will be Tom Ammon. He can be reached by all interested people at 732-2306. The new vice-commissioner is Bob Sissenstein. Congratulations to all the new captains and commissioners!

The volleyball league will begin spring competitions on Sunday, March 2nd and will continue each Sunday afternoon thereafter until the second weekend of May.

Any persons interested in joining the spring volleyball league, please contact the new commissioner Tom Ammon at 732-3206.

Other items of discussion at the meeting were: How many players to allow on the teams; finding a new location for the games; training program for the referees; rule and regulation changes; fundraisers and social events.

Goldy Montana wished everyone the very best luck and continued terrific success and ad-journed the meeting.

Gay Chorus can sing/use name

San Jose, CA - The American Choral Directors Association and the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles announced that they have successfully resolved pending litigation between them.

In its lawsuit, the Chorus challenged the ACDA's action requiring the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles to delete the word "gay" from its name as a condition for performance at ACD's Western Division Convention to be held during February in San Jose.

As a result of the settlement, the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles will use its full name in connection with its performance at the Convention.

ACDA has stated that it does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, religion,

sexual preference or otherwise, and that in fact many gay and lesbian people are active and well respected members of the organization.

The Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles joins with other gay and lesbian choruses in continued active support of the goals of AC-DA.

The Chorus was represented in its lawsuit by G. Kip Edwards of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, cooperating attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California, and Alan L. Schlosser, ACLU staff counsel.

ACDA was represented by Thomas A. Palmer of Knox, Rickens, Snook, Anthony & Robbins.

Holy Trinity Church

1st yearly report

By Rev. Randy Hill

Holy Trinity Community Church, San Jose Family, is pleased to share with you its first yearly report to the community.

The Church was formed June 23, 1985 so the report is actually only for 6 months, ending December 31, 1985.

The church family ended the year with 23 charter members and many friends and visitors.

It is significant that the church has given back to the San Jose Community over \$1000 of its donations.

In November, the family voted to increase its donations to the local community from 15 percent of its monthly donations to 20 percent.

Total offerings for the year (6 months) were \$7721.37. Expenses were \$5918.41. During this period a organ was purchased and paid in full.

- Community donations were as follows:
- \$116.46..... Billy DeFrank Center
 - \$48.10..... Imperial AIDS Foundation
 - \$20.00..... BAYMEC
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 - \$25.00..... Affirmation for Gay Mormons
 - \$25.00..... Dignity for Gay Catholics
 - \$25.00..... Black and White Men Together

Total given to organizations: \$624.36.

Individuals who requested assistance received \$501.39 for such things as Phone Bills for AIDS people, Emergency Fund when fired because of AIDS; to purchase Ensure Plus for AIDS people; to help pay Doctor Bills; to purchase food; to pay electric bills for AIDS persons.

In addition, HTCC has worked closely with AIDS persons in both the ARIS Project and the Imperial AIDS Foundation.

Help with fund raisers, gifts of items that cannot be bought with food stamps were also given at Christmas to persons with AIDS.

It has been a busy first year for the church family but a rewarding one. God has blessed each family member richly.

Incorporation papers and state and federal tax exemption papers are being filed. During the waiting period, all gifts are tax deductible. All books and records are open to anyone desiring to see them with the exception of individual giving records.

For further information on this new evangelical church in the bay area, please contact Rev. F. Randy Hill, HTCC, 1449 Hester Avenue, San Jose, CA 95126 or call (408) 292-3071.

A free monthly newsletter, Hosanna, is available to any desiring to receive it.

Holy Trinity meets Sundays at 10 am at the Billy DeFrank Center, 86 Keyes in San Jose.

Thank you for helping us helping others in the name and love of Jesus Christ in pur first 6 months. We love you very much.

Spaghetti Feed Deliciously Successful

By Al Rattee

I had a wonderful time at a Spaghetti Feed & Beer Bust that was held at the Daybreak, in Mt. View, on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 19th.

This marvelous feed was put on by the Imperial AIDS Foundation, which in turn is sponsored by the Billy DeFrank Center.

The meal consisted of all the spaghetti and meat balls you could eat along with yummy side orders of garlic bread and tossed salad. Not to mention all the beer you could drink to quench your thirst.

The price of this food? Would you believe you got all this food and drink for a mere \$4 per person? That's right \$4 per person and the money raised went to help people with AIDS.

As for the cooks, I knew Rachel and Toby were outrageous on stage, but I never realized they could whip up such gourmet dishes in the kitchen, too. Mama Mia, Julia Child would be so proud of you and your Imperial AIDS Foundation Staff.

After settling various costs with the bar, the Imperial AIDS Foundation raised a total \$128 from this event.

AIDS History Project

This event was a success not only financially and for the superb food, but it was also successful in that a fairly large crowd of about 75 men & women showed up at the Daybreak and ate and drank and all in all had a darned good time.

Also I could tell the owners of the Daybreak, Paula and Jody, were very pleased at the good turn-out just by their smiles and laughter as they joked and joined in on the feasting with the rest of us.

For those of you who didn't stop by, "how sad," you missed some real good food, some real nice people, like me, and worst of all, you missed out on a real good time.

So next time mark your calendars when an event like this happens and come on down, ya hear?

The International Gay and Lesbian Archives, the world's largest and most accessible Gay archives, has recently formed the AIDS History Project. Located at the Archive's headquarters in Hollywood, it offers its services at no charge to all Gay-oriented AIDS organizations in order to lighten their archival work-load and to insure that their histories and relevant papers are not lost in the crush of the crisis.

The AIDS History Project also gathers and centralizes the flood of AIDS information and reports and makes it available to the public for purposes of research and education. Volunteers and donations of funds and materials are welcome. IGLA is a non-profit corporation supported by memberships and private donations only.

Meeting Notice

San Jose, CA - The South Bay chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month, beginning February 12, 1986, in the Fireside Room of the First Congregational Church on Leigh and Hamilton avenues in San Jose.

The Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays was founded in Los Angeles in 1981 and now has chapters nationwide and abroad.

The group provides a support system for families and friends of lesbians and gays, provides

education to individuals and the community on the nature of homosexuality, and supports the human and civil rights of lesbians and gays.

Monthly meetings of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays are facilitated by a parent member of the group.

Discussions are supportive, not confrontive, intending to help group members in their efforts to understand, accept, and support their homosexual relatives or friends with love and pride.

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Where It's At!

By Dot James



Hey, "players"! The Watergarden will be hosting "Game Night" every Monday evening in March, and it's all about "the safest game of all — safe sex." The Health Department's Gary Crawford and others will be conducting an extensive and informative four-week workshop on safe sex and sexually transmitted diseases. It's for WG members only; attendance at all 4 of the weekly sessions garners a certificate of completion. Better yet, it'll result in your being a whole lot more knowledgeable about how to have fun in bed without risking your life.

Watch Our Paper for a forthcoming column by Gary Crawford focussing on health issues.

Even tho the WG's Sal Accardi sez my phone number is scrawled on every bar's bathroom wall between here and Alviso, 'tain't so. But it is listed in the centerfold directory of *Our Paper*, as well as in the San Jose White Pages. And you can call 411 any ole time, just be persistent; the info operator will probably insist s/he has no listing for "James Dot." (Folks reversing my first and last names is an annoyance I've lived with for 47 years.) But, for those of you who keep coming up to me to say you'd call with a tidbit for the column if only I listed my phone number, here it is once more: (408) 978-0992. And there's always an answering machine home if I'm not.

Chuck V. of *Overaters Anonymous* (OA) did call the other day to let me know there is, indeed, a Gay OA meeting. Alas, it's for *men only* and meets on Tues. at 8 p.m. at Christ The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1550 Meridian Ave., just a couple of blocks north of Hamilton Ave. Turn down the street next to the church to reach the back parking lot where you'll find the meeting room.

Gay nonseparatist that I am, I urged Chuck to let the guys know that some of us lesbians would be interested in the meeting, too. I still think one of the nicest things about livin' in the South Bay gay community is that most of our sisters and brothers get along pretty well together. I like that for social reasons, and I think it's important for political reasons as well.

So that's my political statement for this issue.

No, I have one more. Those of you who aren't attending the BAYMEC receptions, held about every other month at the Saint Claire Hilton Hotel, are really missing a bet. Ken Yeager, recently selected as an "Outstanding Young Man of America" (congratulations, Ken!), is very adept at corraling interesting local politicians as speakers, and the Q-and-A session gives you a chance to lobby the politicians — politely, of course — on gay issues in the Santa Clara Valley.

BAYMEC's only been around about a year, and appears to have pulled off a real coup by getting the county Board of Supes to fund the ARIS Project to the tune of \$60K, with the possibility of more funds in the future. Call Ken at (408) 297-1024 for more info about BAYMEC. And remember that a contribution to BAYMEC can help elect more friends of gays in 1986, which is shaping up as a hot year for gay concerns.

I also had a call from Rich Calmbacher to allay the confusion about the *Main Street Saloon* ownership switch. It's true that *David's Restaurant* took over at the first of January and will eventually only serve beer and wine. But until about the middle of February when the new license goes into effect, Rich sez, *Main St.* is still operating a full liquor bar and will appreciate your patronage.

Dotty Calabrese is conducting one of her workshops on lesbian sexuality in Willows on the Feb. 28 - Mar. 2 weekend. The sliding-scale fee includes lodging and meals. Dotty also facilitates coming out groups for lesbians here in the Santa Clara Valley. For more info, give Dotty a call at (415) 968-1981.

Congratulations to the *641 Club* which celebrated its Third Anniversary with a super Sunday celebration on Feb. 2.

And speaking of Super Sundays, I lost my Super Bowl XX bet, Marilyn having given me the Pats plus six instead of the 46 points I needed. That morning we enjoyed the all-you-can-eat champagne brunch buffet at the *Interlude*, and manager Gary Williams sez it was so successful that it's now a fixture on Sunday mornings. Lots of variety to choose from, and the champagne flows while you're dining; for \$6.50 per person, it's a great Sunday brunch deal.

The *Interlude* plans a "Queen of Hearts Ball" for Valentine's Day. It's 50 cents off your drinks that eve if you're wearing red, and 50 bucks to the person wearing the biggest heart. Those in love (couples) will get special discounts in the restaurant, now known as Room 21, including a two-fer price for prime rib.

And "Margaret" at *David's* sez David always "goes crazy" on Val's Day, so expect two-fers there, too, as well as special dessert concoctions.

After brunch at the *Interlude* on Super Bowl Sunday, Marilyn and I went over to *The Savoy* to watch the game on TV and enjoy free hot dogs and fixin's and \$1 drink specials. Val's Day and *The Savoy's* Fifth Anniversary coincide, so Pat Drennan's planning a buffet, door prizes, and drink specials, all for a cover of only 3 bucks.

Had I won my bet with Marilyn, we would have been taking beginners' western dance lessons for two months, which are offered for free at *Ryder's* every Monday eve. (Accommodating I'll mate that Marilyn is, she sez she'll still try it for two weeks to see how she likes it.) My bet was prompted by a chat with David Parker a couple of weeks ago when we were in *Ryder's* for dinner.

David's got lots of activities goin' on at *Ryder's*, as well as megaplans for future events. You'll want to circle Mar. 2 on your calendar for the big kick-off promoting the Los Angeles Gay Rodeo. (David sez he's hopin' to get together a plane full of our folks to go down to the rodeo.) A part of the day's celebration is the Dance Contest final judging.

Starting Mar. 1, *Ryder's* and the Double D Saloon in The City begin a shuttle bus service to and fro, with buses leaving each bar four times a night. The fare is 15 bucks (\$8 one-way), which includes champagne on the bus and 2 comp drinks at your destination. If you like to party in San Francisco, but hate the drive (who doesn't), "leave the driving" to *Ryder's* and the Double D. Initially, the shuttle service will run every other Sat. night.

On Val's Day, *Ryder's* offers strawberry margaritas for 2 bucks. At midnight balloons will drop from the ceiling; pop the one you catch, and you may find a prize inside — lottery tickets

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"Ain't I A Woman?"

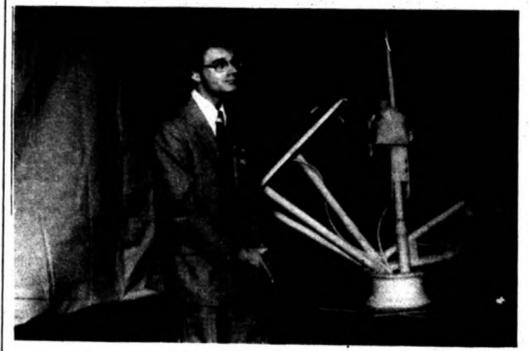
Charmaine Crowell presents a moving melodrama celebrating the life of Sojourner Truth entitled "Ain't I A Woman?" on Friday, February 21st at 7:30 pm, in the Dohrman Building, 325 S. 1st St., in downtown San Jose.

Tickets are \$3-\$5 for the performance and \$10-\$13 for the performance and dinner at TR's restaurant. The dinner begins at 6 pm at TR's Restaurant in the Dohrman Building. Tickets may be purchased at Phoenix Books and Espresso Cafe, phone 292-9277 after February 4th. The performance is wheelchair accessible.

"Ain't I A Woman?" is sponsored by Sisterspirit, a non-profit project to start a women's bookstore in San Jose and by Phoenix Bookstore and Espresso Cafe in the Dohrman Building.

Charmaine Crowell, formerly of the American Conservatory Theatre's Black Actor's Workshop, has performed with San Francisco's African People's Repertory Theatre Co. and at Los Angeles' Mark Taper Forum. Having worked as an actress for more than a decade, Charmaine has performed in *For Colored Girls, A Raisin In The Sun, Black Girl, God's Trombones, Unfinished Song, Where We're Coming From*, and the list goes on. She was also the director of the Black Theatre Workshop at San Jose City College and has taught acting for several years. She also teaches and directs at the prestigious Palo Alto Children's Theatre, in Palo Alto, California.

"Here we savor the multi-talents of Charmaine Crowell exhibiting the tough tender vulnerability that set her contributions apart throughout the evening." (*For Colored Girls*) *San Jose Mercury News*, San Jose, CA, June, 1978.



Art on the town

by Ted Sahl

Could San Jose one day rank as the 8th, or 9th wonder of the world? Why not! asked Steve Storz, a San Jose artist, and sculptor.

Storz believes the city is ready for him, and gave a presentation of his work which he calls the Storz Towers.

The month was December, with a glimpse into the future. Storz skillfully presented the unveiling of the top section to one of his proposed "tower" sculptures to patrons of the Art's, at Eulipia Upstairs downtown San Jose.

Storz dazzled his audience as he slowly turned the sculpture in time to soft music of running water mixed with the sound of heavy machinery being moved.

The piece was written by Storz and set a mood that literally transported his audience thru space, and a 24 hour time period.

The result was hypnotizing. "My towers reflect a fascination I have for shapes, and their interaction". They reflect my attitude towards peace for the planet and freedom.

"Like the freedom of the Eagle with opened wings. My Towers have opened wings: they shelter things below, and gather energy from above."

Storz sees the natural settings of Museum's Shopping Center's Sculpture Gardens & Business Parks, as future homes for his Sculpture's. . . The Storz Towers. A reception followed the exhibit.

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A Man for All Seasons sells out

San Jose, CA — San Jose Repertory Company Marketing Manager, Joan Young announced that the regularly scheduled Wednesday matinee performance of *A Man for All Seasons*, at 1:00 pm on February 12, has been sold out.

The inspiring family drama is slated for two low-priced previews on Thursday and Friday, February 6 and 7, at 8:00 p.m.

Opening night for the play, to be staged at the Montgomery Theater in downtown San Jose, is Saturday, February 8 at 8:00p.m.

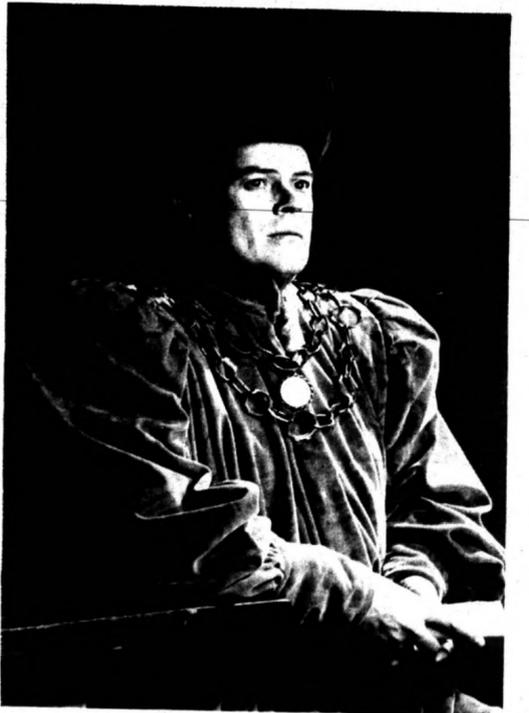
A Man for All Seasons will continue through February 23.

According to Young, the Wednesday matinee subscription series usually accommodates 208 season ticket holders. The Montgomery Theater's official capacity is 537. "The additional three hundred plus tickets were bought up almost immediately by local school groups."

The demand for additional tickets was so heavy that the professional theatre company immediately scheduled another Wednesday matinee on February 19 at 1:00 p.m..

The second matinee is nearly sold out. Young cautions teachers wishing to attend *A Man for All Seasons* with a student group to make plans immediately.

Group rates are also available on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings as well as Sunday matinees. For more information, call San Jose Rep Box Office at (408) 294-7572



James Edmondson will be featured as Sir Thomas More in San Jose Repertory Company's production of Robert Bolt's *A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS* to be directed by Kenneth Kelleher at the Montgomery Theatre in downtown San Jose, Feb. 6 - 23. For tickets, call SJ Rep 408/294-7572. Photo by Chas. I. Savadels

by Roz Ashley

How Do you Do as a Houseguest?

What kind of houseguest gets invited back? And how do you rate on that score? Get in the mood and reminisce about the last time you visited a friend. What really happened? Did you strip your bed before you left? Did you strip yourself so your friend's mate could see you? Did you strip your host/hostess? Or did you simply strip the bathroom of that great cologne you found there?

Be honest on the following quiz; you'll have fun, and also get a brutally frank rating on your chances of being invited back to all the "right" houses. Put a check mark in front of the answer that most truthfully completes each numbered paragraph. Skip any items that don't apply or seem stupid to you. Answering (and scoring) follow the last question.

1. You arrived at the apartment of some friends a few hours ago. Now, everyone has gone to sleep and you don't know which towel to use. You a) don't wash. b) use the little lace one on the rack. c) use a paper towel from the kitchen.
2. You've been visiting a good friend who didn't mention how long your stay should last. The atmosphere is getting tense, so you: a) pack up and throw a good-bye kiss. b) wishfully ask if you should leave. c) offer drugs.
3. Your friend is on a diet, but you love to snack. What do you do? a) Nibble secretly. b) Bake brownies and share. c) Bake brownies, but scarf them all up yourself.
4. On a visit to a friend, you stain one of the towels badly, so you: a) apologize. b) rinse it out. c) take it with you when you leave.
5. Your friend has gone out, but his/her lover drops by. So, you: a) chat, but avoid flirting. b) offer half of your newspaper and settle down to read. c) serve a strong drink, maintain eye contact, and hope your friend will be gone for at least an hour.
6. A hostile dog guards your friend's place and you must enter alone after a date. You have a key, but you're afraid. You solve the problem by: a) placating the animal with raw hamburger in advance. b) wearing dog repellent. c) making a night of it.
7. You're visiting friends, but you forgot to pack toothpaste. So, you: a) wait a day and then buy some. b) ask for some and use it. c) use the toothpaste in the bathroom and complain about the flavor.
8. You get up early, but your host/ess likes to sleep late. So, you: a) read in the mornings. b) run the water in the tub, take a bath, and flush the toilet a lot. c) turn up the stereo and do some aerobics.
9. You're leaving your friend after a visit and you're selecting a thank-you gift. You buy: a) replacements for everything you've broken. b) a book you intend to borrow back right away. c) some wine to share during your last dinner together.
10. You're on an extended visit with a busy person. You plan to: a) go your own way each day. b) ask every morning, "What are we doing today?" c) ask every morning, "What are you doing today?"
11. You spilled red wine on your friend's rug. You tried to wash it, but the spot only got bigger. What do you do? a) Have it cleaned, pay for it, and confess all. b) Move the furniture so the spot is hidden. c) Cry a lot.
12. You're visiting a friend whose parents arrive unexpectedly from out of town. You: a) offer them your room and sleep on the couch. b) leave gracefully. c) claim squatter's rights.

13. Your friend has just come down with a case of the flu. You: a) serve chicken soup and hang around in case you're needed. b) take Vitamin C and leave for the day. c) take Vitamin C and stay in your room.
14. It's very late and in order to get to the bathroom, you would have to pass through your host's bedroom where an overnight guest is being "entertained." What do you do? a) Tiptoe past then without looking. b) Stay put, because you've planned ahead. c) Walk through, apologizing at great length.
15. At the end of a relaxing soak at your friend's place, you: a) scrub the tub shiny clean. b) use the back brush to wash your back. c) use your friend's lover to scrub your back.

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Houseguest Rating

Score 1/2-24 On a "welcome-back scale" of 1-10, you rate a 0. You are a real disaster. Go to a motel the next time, and check in under an assumed name.

25-49 Not too good, not too bad. On that "welcome-back scale," you get about a 5. If you invest in an impressive house gift and give your friend a long time to forget, you may be invited back.

50-73 So! You got a high score. If you didn't fib, you rate a 9 on the scale. You're sure to be invited back. In case you are curious about why you didn't get a 10, it's just that I'd hate to ruin your personality by making you arrogant. By the way, what are you doing next weekend?



Jannis Warner's "Big Band" diva is stalked by two jealous back-up singers in AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'.

Ain't Misbehavin' at CPA

It won a "Tony" as Best Musical, and the NY Drama Critics Circle and the Outer Circle both followed suit, accounting for only three of the eight major theatre awards proclaiming *Ain't Misbehavin'* the musical revue of the decade. Consisting of some thirty songs written or made famous by one of America's most beloved jazzmen, Thomas "Fats" Waller, *Ain't Misbehavin'* recreates the atmosphere of a delectably lowdown Harlem nightclub of the 1930's. Some of the show's moments recreate the style of Fats Waller's own stage and movie clowning — like the clone-like duplication of "Your Feet's Too Big" and the company's foot-stomping rendition of Waller's first song recording, "Tain't Nobody's Business If I Do."

Appearing at the San Jose Center for Performing Arts on Sunday, Feb. 16, the show is being brought here by Daedalus Productions of New York City. Tickets are available at BASS outlets and the theater box office. □



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Theatre Reviews By Rick Rudy

Evita Comes to C.L.O.

Theatre Review by Rick Rudy
Evita, the 1980 Tony Award winning musical based on the life of Argentina's Eva Peron, opened in a strong production by the San Jose Civic Light Opera. And Opera is the operative word for this Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber production. There is little dialogue, and a good deal of recitative, some arias, and several production numbers, much of it reminiscent of their earlier hit *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

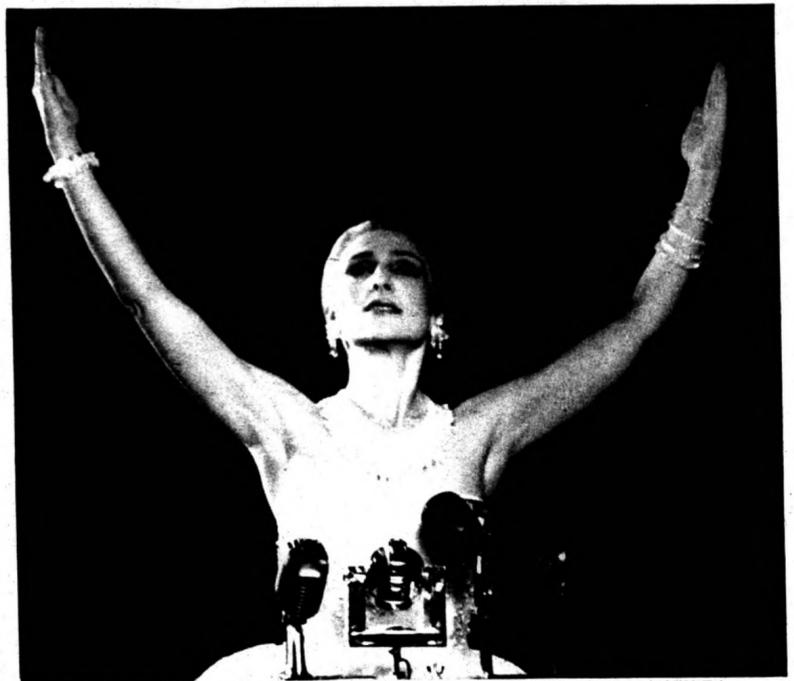
Unfortunately the score is not as good as *Superstar*, and the plot is very unclear unless you had the good fortune to read a synopsis before the show. And where *Superstar* took a well known story and brought it to a new dimension through modern vernacular and musical style, *Evita* takes a story of very little familiarity (or interest) and wraps it in showmanship. In the end we recall dazzling staging and performance, but not much of little Eva. There is nothing but praise for this production: the leads, ensemble, orchestra, settings, costumes, lighting and direction are all first rate.

Loni Ackerman as Eva Peron is in total command throughout the evening. She sings strongly, and, thanks to the body mike, can be heard easily. Tim Bowman as Che, the narrator, is wickedly amusing and finely cutting in his role as a foil for Eva. His rapid recitatives, often shrieked (again, like Judas in *Superstar*), are often hard to follow, but one is accustomed to that in the CPA. When he sings, though, he is mellow and full voiced. The performers and production staff deserve great plaudits for mounting a fine production for CLO. It is too bad the piece isn't as good as the effort that went into producing it. 3 1/2 ★

David Wasson is a fine Juan Peron, struggling in the shadow of his scheming wife. Mario Simon is somewhat weak as Eva's early sponsor Magaldi, but Allis Druffel is wonderful as Peron's Mistress who gets thrown out on Eva's arrival. Her *Another Suitcase in Another Hall* is beautifully sung. However, the real star of *Evita* has always seemed to me to be the brilliant staging by Harold Prince, here duplicated by director Dianna Shuster.

Goodnight and Thank You staged with a revolving bedroom door to emphasise the many men Eva uses on her way up the ladder, is remarkable for its impact through simplicity. The use of a game of musical chairs, in *The Art of the Possible*, to depict the gradual elimination of Juan Peron's competition, is wonderfully inventive.

And the shifting of frontstage to backstage while Eva and Peron are on the balcony during the inauguration, is magical and insightful. These moments of theatrical genius are most apparent in Act I. The show slows appreciably in Act II, as Eva is rejected by Europe, ruins Argentina's economy and falls critically ill. It would all be nicer if we really cared and could be swept up in the passion and hysteria which surround Eva. But the play never lets us get that close to her, and we leave the theatre as disinterested in Argentina's cruel fate as before. The performers and production staff deserve great plaudits for mounting a fine production for CLO. It is too bad the piece isn't as good as the effort that went into producing it. 3 1/2 ★



Loni Ackerman as Eva Peron, "saint" of Argentina, in the CLO's production of EVITA.

Liedermann Event

A reception hosted by Liedermann Gay Men's Chorus is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Saturday, February 15th at City Lights, 70 N. Almaden Ave., downtown San Jose (opposite the Spaghetti Factory). Food will be provided, and drinks available for a nominal fee. Open to the public at no charge for admission. For more information, call Dan Jepson 415/790-0288. □

Early Shaw sparkles at A.C.T.

By Rick Rudy
After years as a theatre critic, George Bernard Shaw turned to writing plays. *You Never Can Tell*, a romantic comedy, now in production at the American Conservatory Theatre, is one of his earlier efforts (1897). It never gets mired down in the verbosity of his later tracts and is a thoroughly delightful and sparkling romp. Located at a seaside resort, *You Never Can Tell* concerns the Clandon family, feminist mother and three children, who are unexpectedly reunited with their husband and father after their eighteen years absence in Spain. But it is really the outsiders, a waiter, a dentist and two solicitors, who make the play so much fun. The hit of the show (and of all the shows he is in) is William Patterson, the Waiter, who knows all about genteel society from close observation, and captivates the audience with every arched eyebrow and polished pause. Mark Murphy is the womanizing dentist, Valentine, who inadvertently brings the estranged family back together. Valentine is a modern lover and knows just how to trap the educated, young feminist Gloria Clandon with her own logic. The direction by Janice Hutchins is fast paced, and the scenery and costumes are simply perfect for this work. Those who are looking for a Shavian treatise on reforming the world must look to his other works (*Saint Joan*, *Man and Superman*, etc.) but for a lighter touch, *You Never Can Tell* is a wonderful evening of theatre. *You Never Can Tell* continues through Feb. 22, call (415) 673-6440. Noel Coward's comedy *Private Lives* plays Feb. 19 through Mar. 22. ★★½

Bus Stop is a Seven Year Inge

By Rick Rudy
Bus Stop, the 1955 romantic-comedy-drama by William Inge, is the current offering by The Community Players of Los Gatos-Saratoga, and let me assure you that it is not one of those shows which improve with age. Structurally, it is like those Agatha Christie mysteries: eight characters trapped in a bus stop cafe by a blizzard, with no way out and the phones dead. But the only thing that gets killed is the evening. Grace (Millie Genise) runs the cafe with the help of her 17-year-old niece Elma (Patty Peterson). The bus from Kansas City stops at 1:00 a.m., unloading the drunken professor Lyman (Les Dale), Cherie, a nightclub singer (Becky White), a cowboy and his buddy (E. Spencer McDonald and Larry Sher), and the bus driver (Larry Shetterly). The local sheriff (Gary Ferry) completes the ensemble. The characterizations and the whole tone of the script are so 1950's that it is incomprehensible why the directors chose to make the cafe filled with 1985 magazines and updated references to Madonna and Dustin Hoffman. They are a jarring intrusion into a real period piece. Patty Peterson provides the best moments of the show as she portrays the very innocent girl getting swept up by the worldliness of the professor. She is genuine and totally in character throughout the show.



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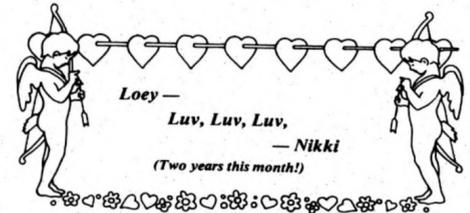
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