It was voted at the last business meeting of the San Francisco Chapter to raise a fund to enable the National DQB Organization to join as a group the American Civil Liberties Union. This organization has one purpose — to fight violations of the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. It is one of the most prominent organizations in the United States dedicated to the defense of the constitutional rights of every American regardless of point of view. The membership fee for the group is $25.00.

This special fund is to be made entirely of donations. All donations large or small are acceptable. The amount of donations exceeding the $25.00 will go toward the DQB joining the American Friends Service Committee, also dedicated to the same type of work as the ACLU.

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We have for sale on "First come First served" basis just four (4) copies of the book "My Name is Rusty" by Kay Johnson. This book is a fictional account of Lesbian life in prison complete with glossary. The price is $3.00. Those who wish to add this book to their private libraries should mail in their orders at once to be sure of getting a copy.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mon. July 6 = Governing Board of Directors Meeting = 8 P.M. 655 Joe St Ave.

Wed. July 8 = Monthly Business Meeting = 2174 California St. (Basement Apartment) 6 P.M.

Sat. July 11 = Ladder work party at office 12:30 P.M. on. Your help is urgently needed! We have extra copies going to newsstands this month.

Sat. July 18 = Party for members and guest (1 guest per member) 9 P.M. $2.00 per person. Place to be announced at business meeting. Reservations please! Phone office 753-9250 Tues or Wed evenings after 7:30 P.M.

Fri. July 24 = Convention committee meeting 8 P.M. 655 Joe St Ave.

Fri. July 24 = Cab 86 Java = 3927 Army St. 6 P.M.

Sat. Aug. 1 = Ladder work party at office 12:30 P.M. on. AGAIN your help is urgently needed.
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

At the last business meeting (which such a few attended) it was announced the San Francisco Chapter officers have resigned. Our officers have been carrying a full load with handling not only our business but also being national officers.

This has made a double load on them and as time goes by with New York and Los Angeles Chapters, it gets more involved and the work load increases. Since our chapter is the largest, we should be an example to other chapters by demonstrating what can be done in our organization.

Jaye "Shorty" Belf was appointed temporary chairman until we can elect new officers. At the August business meeting, which all are urgently requested to attend, nominations will be made and the voting will be held in September. So let’s show our very capable ex-President how much we appreciate her past efforts by working toward the goals she has set for us.

As it was announced in the last Newsletter, the Ladder work party was July 11th. It might be of interest to know that no one came except five (5) regular and willing helpers. We are now selling 200 copies to a news company who puts them on newstands throughout the country.

This requires extra work and a wee bit of extra effort on our part to get them out. Each week our mailing list gets larger and we can’t get the ladder in the mail unless we have help. It isn’t hard work (if several are helping) it just requires a few hours of your time and gives you a feeling of satisfaction that you have done something constructive.

As mentioned last month donations are being accepted for the American Civil Liberties Union. For those who didn’t see the Newsletter, we are trying to get enough donations to enable the National Dob Organization to join as a group. The membership fee for the group is $25.00, which will be made entirely of donations.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

Saturday, August 1st. THE LADDER WORK PARTY. From 12:30 on. 165 0'Farrell St., Room 405

Wednesday, August 12th. MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING. 2174 California St. (Basement Apt.) 8 P.M.

Sunday, August 23rd. ANNUAL DOB PICNIC. Plan now to attend. All women are welcome whether they are members or not. This is an excellent time to meet the group on an informal basis. Price of $1.50 per person includes food and coffee. Bring your own cold drinks of you wish them. Action will start at 10 A.M. Place will be announced at the business meeting, also by calling YU 2-9290 Tues. or Wed. evenings. Please make your reservations by calling the above number no later than August 19th. If you need transportation it can be arranged.

Friday, August 28th. GAB IN JAVA – 452-A Fairoaks, 8 P.M.
Although it was announced in the last newsletter that nominations would be held in the month of August and elections is September, we had a turn out at the business meeting that made us all proud. (Over 2/3 of our membership)

Because there were no contesting officers and a majority of members attending it was voted to elect the ballot as it stood.

We are happy to announce the following officers:

President - Jaye "Shorty" Bell
Vice President - Brock Harper
Secretary - Jackie Saunders
Treasurer - Eve Howe

An autograph party was held at the Mattachine Society office on August 16th, introducing Harry Otis, the author of "The Kaval with 15 other Gay Stories". Anyone wishing a copy for their own libraries may do so by calling the office on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings. We will try to get an autographed copy if you so desire.

The price of this delightful book is $1.95 plus 28¢ for sales tax and handling.

We wish to thank everyone who helped at the August ladder work party.

Due to the special issue in September, which required much effort on the part of the research committee, and increase in circulation, there will be two work parties this month.

We will appreciate any time that you can give, even an hour or two.

The first work party will be Saturday, September 12th, from 1 P.M. on, and the second will be Monday, September 14th, starting at 7 P.M. (at our offices of course). Open to everyone.

Calendar of events:

Saturday - September 12th
Ladder work party

Monday - September 14th
Ladder work party

Wednesday - Business meeting
655 Joost Ave. 8:30 P.M.
We are sorry that the business meeting is late this month due to the holiday and vacations. Please try to attend and give our new officers moral support.

Friday - September 25th
Gab 426 Java - 655 Joost Ave.
8:30 P.M. The topic of this month will be "Religion vs Homosexuality" come and state your opinion.

Sunday - September 27th
Event: Cocktail party
Place: 3267 Army Street
Uniform

Of the day: Heels & Skirts
Muster: 15:00 (3:00 P.M.)
Retreat: 18:00 (6:00 P.M.)
Enlistment: Members & 1 guest

Fee: $1.50 per person

Our annual Halloween party will be held in October. This is a costume party. The date and place will be announced in the next newsletter.
BUSINESS MEETING

At the last business meeting it was voted that starting November 1st, membership dues are to be paid quarterly (3 months) in advance.

The end of the second month you will receive a reminder from our treasurer that your dues will be payable the following month. This policy will alleviate our bookkeeping system problem and also keep everyone's dues current.

The issue of the growing problem in the San Francisco chapter, concerning guests at our parties was discussed at the business meeting. We have a standing rule that each member is allowed one guest.

It was voted that all members will receive guest cards. These, you will find enclosed with this newsletter. This card will entitle the bearer admission to our party as your guest. Cards will be collected at the door and returned to the member with the next issue of the newsletter. This will not apply this month.

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Our office is in need of lamps. Anyone who has any lamps which they do not need or use, it would be appreciated if they were donated to the DOB.

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We hold approximately 12 main functions per year and we are in desperate need of places to hold them during 1969. Therefore, we would appreciate hearing from anyone who would enjoy having either an indoor or outdoor gathering at their residence or any suggestion you may have will be appreciated.

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Next month we are planning a beer and chili feed on November 21st. Please keep this date open. Details in the next newsletter.

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Seen on a theatre marquee

HOLIDAY FOR LOVERS

ASK ANY GIRL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday - October 10th - Ladder work party held at the office from 12:00 noon until... we have had such a good turnout lately. Hope will be the same this month.

Wednesday - October 14th - Business meeting 6:30 Joost Ave. 8:00 P.M.

There will be a lot of new business so try to attend and state your opinion. Important meeting - all members asked to attend.

Sunday - October 18th - Autograph party

693 Mission St. 2:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Introducing, Drs. Eberhard and Phyllis Kronhausen authors of "Pornography and the Law", sponsored by Dorian Book Service.

Friday - October 24th - Gas N' Java

This month's topic "MORALITY AND THE HOMOPHILE".

Saturday - October 24th - Mattechine party

8 P.M. till... $700 Diamond We have been invited to their party this month. This is not a costume party (or drag) donation $2.00 for the daughters.

Saturday - October 31st - Halloween party

This is a costume party. There will be prizes for the most unusual and outstanding and of course the old standby Boobie prize. Call the office on Tues. or Wed. evenings for reservations and place. $2.00 per person. Members only!

This is going to be a busy month but I think it will be also an interesting month... hope to see you at all or some of the above.

The Editor
Well, girls, the election is over and so is the excitement. Now we can all settle down and get ready for the holidays. They will soon be here you know....

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If anyone has any suggestions that they think should be in the NEWSLETTER please advise the Editor. - Such as doings around town and books to read etc. We also need some one to report on these too.

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We wish to thank everyone who donated the lamps to the office. We really needed them.

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The Chili Feed should be a welcome change this month. After all the parties last month. I do hope everyone can attend.

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This months issue of the LADDER is a coverage of the recent election. We would like to distribute as many copies in this area as possible, therefore, if any one knows of anyone who should receive a copy or if there is someone they would like to have a copy sent them. Please advise the office.

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The New Years Eve party will be held next month (seems real close don't it), details will be in the next NEWSLETTER.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Saturday, November 7th, 12:00 noon - on
LADDER WORK PARTY - 165 O'Farrell St. More copies are being sent out again as this is a special issue. So as much help will be needed as we can get.

Wednesday, November 11th, 8:00 P.M. Monthly Business meeting 655 Joost Ave.

Some important issues will be voted on so please attend.

Saturday - November 21st, 6 to 10 P.M. CHILI FEED Good Food, soft drinks and beer. Please call the office on Tues or Wed. nights October 17th and 18th for reservations. This is for members and guests. The charge will be $2.00 per person. Open to women only.

Friday November 27th - 8:00 P.M.
GAB N' JAVA 1215 Laguna St. #405

Why don't you plan to attend this event as our volunteer moderators need all the support they can get.

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Sorry this months NEWSLETTER IS so short, but due to circumstances beyond your editor's control. There just didn't seem too much to say. (anyway my idle chatter wouldn't interest most of you) So until next month when I will try to do better. Happy Thanksgiving.

The Editor
I would like to announce that we have a new Librarian. She was appointed at the last business meeting.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 5th
MATTACHINE SIMANAR SERIES
2:00 P.M. and 7:30 P.M. Bellevue Hotel

December 9th
BUSINESS MEETING
655 Joost Ave. - 8:00 P.M.
Come and voice your opinions on issues of the San Francisco Chapter.

December 12th
LADDER WORK PARTY
165 O'Farrell St. from noon on.
Once again its time to add your support to the organization's purpose.

December 18th
GAB N' JAVA
3927 Army St. 8 P.M.
Current topics up for discussion.

December 19th
MATTACHINE CHRISTMAS PARTY
Call the Mattachine Office for place and price.
YU 2-0 EX 7-0773

December 31st
NEW YEARS EVE PARTY
Please call the office for reservations. This party is for members only. Single members may bring a date.

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If I don't get to see some of you at any of the events above. I do wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

To our out of town members I do hope that they can make into the city once in awhile, as we rather miss them.

The Editor