

IN MEMORIAM - Blanche M. Baker M.D.

Last May at the National Convention of DOB, it was approved by the voting membership that a chapter be allowed to support other groups approved by the National Board or gather money among its members to support a cause or fund which has been approved by the National Board. At that time, S.F. chapter proposed a scholarship fund which was approved by the members. This fund is now under way and is being studied as to possibilities for its future use. It has been proposed that this fund be called "The Blanche M. Baker Memorial Scholarship Fund." This is pending approval of the National Board. It is to be in honor of a great friend of DOB as "Doc Baker" was. Every donation will be welcomed in honor of "Doc Baker" and will be put into the scholarship fund to grow, with interest, until a worthy recipient is found and awarded the opportunity for assistance in her education.

GROWING PAINS

The S.F. Chapter is growing again and beginning to feel the results. Our necessity to spread out always seems to grow faster than our budget to buy the space. The office building in which we have based ourselves has been sold and remodeling has begun, and as follows the night the day,-- when a building is remodeled, the rent usually goes up. Since our budget will not allow us to remain in the amount of space we must have, we will vacate the offices this month. The first packing party will be this Thurs. January 5, 1961. We will need lots of people and a little equipment. We have had a pick-up truck donated for our use. We also have a hand truck, but a second one could be very useful if anyone has access to same. Also of great use would be a new office. As of this time we do not have a new location to which we can move and we must vacate our present home

this month. If anyone knows of or can locate an office for us we will be very grateful. We need a minimum space of 500 square feet, and a rent payment in the vicinity of about \$90. per month. Please contact the DOB office if you have any means of offering help either with the packing and moving or with the location of a new home for the S.F. and National chapters of DOB, and for THE LADDER.

PIGGY BANK

Dues to be paid quarterly are now both due and overdue. It seems that new members are not aware of the system of quarterly dues, and it seems the old members forget. Joining fee is \$5.00. This is to be accompanied by the first quarter payment of \$3.00. Dues are then to be paid every three months in advance. This constitutes the \$1 per month membership in the local chapter. Please check with the chapter treasurer to see if you are up to date with your dues.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

We would like all the members who can to be at this month's business meeting so we can formulate an official statement from our chapter on our position and opinion of the One Institute proposal for a Homosexual Bill of Rights. Read your Jan. LADDER for full details and then come to the January business meeting to help formulate our official statement.

JANUARY PARTY

This month we are going to answer so many members requests that we have an "open" party for DOB where the members may bring as many female guests over age twenty-one as they desire. So this is the month. January party is open to as many guests as you would care to bring and the price of admission is the usual \$2.50 per person. Call the office for the location and reservations for you and your guests.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The services honoring Dr. Blanche M. Baker, -those postponed from two weeks ago,- will be conducted Jan. 15, 1961 at the First Unitarian Church on Geary and Franklin Streets at 1:00 p.m. This will be on Sunday afternoon and we will hope to see all of Doc Baker's friends there.

THEATER PARTY

In search for some variation in our monthly get-to-gethers it has been suggested that we try a theater party for February. Arrangements are being made and the date tentatively set for Tues. Feb. 21, 1961. More details to follow in the next Newsletter.

NEW TOPICS

Gab 'N Javas promise to be more stimulating from here on. Since we have a new chairman in charge of subject matter, she has already come up with arrangements for a discussion of the pros and cons of Socialized Medicine for the Jan. Gab 'N Java. Scheduled for this meet will be two people from the Medical Profession in the United States presenting the arguments against socialized medicine, and two representatives from the British Commonwealth to present the arguments in favor of socialized medicine. We also hope some response will be generated in the group. Also scheduled on our new topics list for February will be a guest expert on income tax returns.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY JAN. 5
6:00 pm. on.....

WEDNESDAY JAN. 11
8:00 pm.

SUNDAY JAN 15
1:00 pm.

FRIDAY JAN. 20
8:00 pm.

SATURDAY JAN. 21
9:00 pm.

WEDNESDAY JAN. 25
6:00 pm. on.....

FRIDAY JAN. 27
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DOB PACKING PARTY
165 O'Farrell St.
Rooms 405 & 409

DOB BUSINESS MEETING
443 Justin St. S.F.

BLANCHE BAKER MEMORIAL SERVICE
First Unitarian Church
Franklin & Geary Sts.

GAB 'N JAVA
Topic: Socialized Medicine
443 Justin St. S.F.

DOB MONTHLY PARTY
This one is open to all guests.
Call the office for location
and reservations.

LADDER WORK PARTY
165 O'Farrell St.
Rooms 405 & 409

ONE INC. MID-WINTER INSTITUTE
Los Angeles, California .

MOVING PARTY

Date: This Sunday Jan. 29, 1961 all day long starting at 10:00 A.M. We have all the transportation we need but we will need lots of muscle and adrenaline from lots of people to make the move. So please come out for this event and help the Daughters move into their new office on Market St. Sunday, all day long. The remaining bits and pieces which will be at the office will be moved on a final clean-up on Tuesday night Jan. 31, 1961 from 6:00 p.m. on. Please try to attend either or both of these moving parties as we will need all the help we can get with this big project.

BORROWED ????

The Book Service is missing a few copies of some of the offered selections and the inventory must be brought up to date with the change of offices. The following books are missing:

"The Third Sex"..... 2 copies
 "Odd Girl" 2 copies
 "Duke Law Symposium"..... 1 copy
 "Christ And The Homosexual".... 2 copies
 "Young And Innocent"..... 1 copy
 "Gay Bar"..... 1 copy
 "Carol In 1,000 Cities"..... 1 copy
 "Lisa Ben Records"..... 2 copies

If you have borrowed any of the above books or records, please return them to the Book Service or remit the cost for each plus 4% State Tax.

Thank you, -DOB Book Service

MUSIC FOR DANCING

Remember, any and all records are more than welcome at the DOB parties for your favorite dancing. The social chairman wishes to remind all the members that records for dancing may be brought to any DOB party and should be labeled with the name of the owner to insure their safe return.

CHANGING TOPICS

Each month the Gab 'N Javas will be

centered around new and different topics of discussion. This month we will have a guest expert on the subject of Income Tax. Come with all your questions and he will let us know how we can and cannot file our returns. Learn how to benefit to the maximum by filing your income tax form correctly. This one will be just in time for your W-2 forms and your adding machines. This one is Feb. 24, at 8:00.

PARTY PLANS PLOP!

We are sorry to announce that the Theater party planned for Feb. 21, has been canceled and the arrangements printed in the last Newsletter are no longer in effect. We hope to arrange something of similar interest somewhere in the near future. These plans will be discussed at the Business Meeting and announced in The Newsletter at some future date.

BUSINESS MEETING

This month's business meeting will bring home a report from the One Inc. Mid-Winter Institute in which the subject of a "Homosexual Bill of Rights" was discussed. Come to hear this stimulating and controversial subject discussed by those who attended the confab.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY JAN. 29 DOB MOVING PARTY
 10:00 a.m. on....165 O'Farrell Rm. 405

TUESDAY JAN. 31 REMAINDER OF MOVING
 6:00 p.m. on.....165 O'Farrell Rm. 405

WEDNESDAY FEB. 8 DOB BUSINESS MEETING
 8:00 p.m. 443 Justin Drive S.F.

SATURDAY FEB. 18 DOB MONTHLY PARTY
 9:00 p.m. Call office for location

FRIDAY FEB. 24 GAB 'N JAVA
 8:00 p.m. 1940 Anza Apt. 3 S.F.

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San Francisco Chapter

NEWSLETTER

March 1961

NEW OFFICES

National and Chapter offices now have a new home on none other than San Francisco's good old Market St. #1232 to be exact. Ane we also have a "Suite" instead of just a room. The LADDER and the Book Service are all right along with the local and national chapters at the new address and things will be popping as usual once a month at the work parties, every Tuesday and Thursday evening during regular office hours, and whenever some other project requires space and people. The new phone number is now Underhill 3-8196

SPECIAL THANKS

We want to send out a very special "Thank You" to all of you who gave so freely of your time and evergy to help with the office moving and to the cook who was so great in feeding the whole moving drew. Your help is appreciated.

TOP O' THE MORNING

March again and with it comes the DOB annual St. Patrick's Day Brunch. This occasion is unlimited in number of guests and is the annual get-together with the members of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY. It is open to all members of both groups as well as their friends and guests.

The date is Sunday March 19, 1961 at THE FRONT. The time is from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The price will be \$1.50 per person. Please phone your reservations into the DOB office by Wed. March 15, 1961. call Underhill 3-8196

The Daughters wish to extend a very special invitation to the MATTACHINE SOCIETY for this wonderful event and we look forward to seeing all members and guests there for this fun occaision.

CURRENT REPORT

Watch for the coming issue of THE LADDER for the latest repost on the ONE INSTITUTE Mid-Winter Institute and the controverisal "Homosexual Bill Of Rights" This report is compiled by those who attended the institute and had a real front seat in the midst of the discussion sessions..Be sure to read "Homosexual Bill Of Rights.....Sizzles and Fizzles" in the March issue of THE LADDER.

LADDER WORK PARTY

Although all things are not yet in their proper places etc., preparations are being made for assembly of the March issue of THE LADDER. All the help you can give will be needed and appreciated this coming Sat. March 4 at the New office 1232 Market St. Suite 108 from 12 noon until the mailing is dompleted. Come give your assistance to DOB's voice around the world, THE LADDER.

DISCUSSION OF LESBIANISM

On Tuesday evening Feb. 21, over station KPFA-FM, Richard C. Robertiello author of "Voyage From Lesbos" presented a discussion of the origins and treatment of Lesbianism. This talk was given originally at the A.A.S. Conference under the title of "A Psychoanalytical approach to the Female Homosexual - The Lesbian". This broadcast has been recorded on tape by the DOB and will be presented at the March business meeting. Be sure you are there to hear this very "Interesting" ----- point of view.

PERSONALITY

What about your personality ???????
How about a Personality Inventory ??????
Be sure to be at this month's Gab 'n Java.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY MARCH 4
12:00 noon on.....

LADDER WORK PARTY
1232 Market St. Suite 108

WEDNESDAY MARCH 8
8:00 p.m.

DOB BUSINESS MEETING
443 Justin S.F.

SUNDAY MARCH 19
11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BRUNCH
"THE FRONT" 600 Front St.

FRIDAY MARCH 24
8:00 p.m.

GAB 'N JAVA
655 Joost S.F.

NEWSLETTER

VOLUME II NO. 8

APRIL 1961

HOMOPHILES ON TELEVISION

This month on KQED Channel 9, will be presented a program titled "The Rejected". It will attempt to depict the problems of the homophile in 20th century society. On the problem there will be some scenes and discussions from several interested parties from different walks of life including: The clergy, the homophile himself, Law enforcement, the bar owner, Legal Council, The Psychiatrist, and others. Among guests on the program will be Dr. Karl Bowman former head of the Langley-Porter Clinic, The Right Reverend James A. Pike, The Rabbi Alvin Fine, Morris Lowenthal, attorney, a representative from the Mattachine Society, and other interested parties. This presentation will be an hour and a half in length and should prove to be most interesting to all of DOB's members and friends. Watch your TV listings for April on KQED Channel 9.

RECORD COVERS FOR MAILING

DOB Book Service will be getting some new 12 inch records to offer to readers of THE LADDER and some sort of mailing jacket will be needed. All of you who belong to record clubs can be of great help if you will bring your mailing jackets from your records to the meeting or just leave them at the office for the Book Service. Thank you.

WESTERN PARTY

This month just for fun the DOB monthly party will be on a western theme and the motif will be a good old western hoe-down. This is not a costume affair but old blue jeans and an old plaid shirt will be right in the old western groove. There will be fun and laughs & lots of dancing. One feature of the evening will be some square dancing with the calls done by someone whom you'd never guess could do it. come on out to this one for a good time to be had by all. So

call the DOB office on Tues. or Thurs. evenings for reservation and location.

P.S. "Square Dancing" does not mean dancing with boys.

HOMOSEXUAL BILL OF RIGHTS

Be sure to attend this month's Gab 'N Java for an actual on the spot tape recording of One Institutes discussion of their proposed "Homosexual Bill of Rights" Hear first hand the actual account of the discussion and how this proposal was to be and what has happened since it was presented to the One Institute audiences. Remember that's this months Gab 'N Java.

WORK PARTY ASSIGNMENTS

Voluntary basis has been unsuccessful at THE LADDER work parties in the past and things have been progressively worse. The work load continues to burden fewer and fewer people. The point has been reached where these work parties must now be on an assignment basis, with a rotating work staff. The following people signed up at last months Business Meeting for Wed. evening work parties and this months work party will be Wed. April 5th from 6 pm. on. Kathy - Phyllis - Ginny - Pat R. - Joan - Pat - Nan - Willie. If you cannot attend, please contact another member and see that your place is covered for Wednesday night.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5 LADDER WORK PARTY
6:00 p.m. on.....1232 Market St. Suite 108

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12 DOB BUSINESS MEETING
8:00 pm. 443 Justin S.F.

SATURDAY APRIL 22 DOB MONTHLY PARTY
9:00 pm. call office for location

FRIDAY APRIL 28 GAB 'N JAVA
8:00 pm. 1940 Anza Apt. 3 S.F.

Good times and good friends. See you there!

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

It has been approved by the governing board and by a majority of the national members that the LADDER subscription will be separate from the membership costs. The board decided that this will become effective May 1. This measure has been approved as one of the ways to prevent financial difficulties. In case you have not heard, at present we are in a rather precarious financial situation. This means that for all national members to continue receiving the LADDER, \$4 will be necessary for a subscription.

We need your support and assistance
tout de suite

Let not our sad plight become sadder.
Run to our aid on quick eager feet!
Subscribe to - add height to our LADDER

ORIGINALITY REQUIRED

Just to make sure you're not getting in a rut, your originality is going to be tested. A hat fashioned from a household article or a garden implement should accompany you, preferably on your head, to the May Party. There will be prizes to the 3 heads that think up the best 3 hats.

LITERARY CORNER

You may recall sometime ago that used paperback books were being collected. We are happy to report that all previous literature has been disposed of quite successfully. We received from the sale of the books, the grand total of \$12.50. We are now on the prowl for more books, so

If you are intending you oupbards
to clean,
To clear out all corners and nooks,
Then bring us, though dusty or
fettled or foul,
Your dirty old paperback books.

A. A.

In case you are wondering about the 2 large "A"s that caption this paragraph, we should like to ease your mind by saying, "No, we are not organizing our own Alcoholics Anonymous." We are putting forth an Appeal for Aid. The national funds of our organization are desperately low. It is for this reason that we implore each and every one of you concerned with our cause to donate \$1. This is a small request, yet a great one. It is small if one considers how little a dollar can buy, but it is great because the end result would be as many dollars as there are members. If each and every one of us has had just one little need filled by the DOB, don't you think we could each contribute \$1. and fill a national need?

WORK PARTY

This month the LADDER will be a little late coming from the printer. Since we are still having the problem of getting enough people to help put our magazine together, the Work Party will be in 2 parts. Thursday, May 11 at 7pm, Brock, Ruth, Pat R. and Anna will start the ball rolling. Saturday, May 13 at 10am Billie, Paula and Ginny will finish up. If for any reason, you can't make it, send a sub!!

WEDNESDAY	DOB BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 10, 8pm	443 Justin, SF

THURS. & SAT.	LADDER WORK PARTIES
MAY 11, 7pm	1232 Market, Suite 108
MAY 13, 10am	

SATURDAY	DOB MONTHLY PARTY
MAY 20, 9pm	call office for local.

FRIDAY	GAB 'N JAVA
MAY 26, 8pm	655 Joost, SF

SWEETS FOR THE #*@?c#!!

THERE WILL BE CANDY FOR SALE, TO BUY THAT IS, AT THE BUSINESS MEETING AND THE GAB 'N JAVA. WE ARE WORKING ON THE PROFIT MARGIN SO LETS GO, GO, GO!!!

BOOKS FOR THE LITERATES

WE ARE GOING INTO THE USED BOOK BUSINESS AGAIN. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED. BOOKS OF ALL TYPES CAN BE SOLD; PAPERBACKS, OLD TEXT BOOKS, FANNIE FARMER'S COOK BOOK, DO-IT-YOURSELF AUTO MECHANICS, ETC. MAGAZINES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

COFFEE COSTS

COFFEE FOR THE BUSINESS MEETINGS AND THE GAB 'N JAVAS IS GOING ON A DONATION BASIS. NO SET REQUIREMENT PER DRINKER. HOWEVER, THERE WILL BE A CONSPICUOUS COFFEE CAN FOR LOOSE CHANGE.

WORDS, WORDS, WORDS

THE CHAPTER LIBRARY HAS BEEN CATALOGED AND PUT IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. WHEN REMOVING BOOKS, PLEASE ABIDE BY THE RULES. WE NEED SOME LIBRARY-TYPE METAL BOOK ENDS. ANYONE HAVE ANY THEY DON'T NEED? THERE IS ALSO A NEED FOR A VOLUNTEER PART-TIME LIBRARIAN. APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED. DON'T WALK - RUN!

LADDER WORK PARTY

DO YOU FEEL INTIMIDATED WHEN YOU SEE YOUR NAME IN THE NEWSLETTER UNDER THIS HEADING? OR DO YOU FEEL THAT WE DON'T NEED YOU IF YOUR NAME DOESN'T APPEAR? NO NAMES THIS TIME, BUT WE DO NEED YOU. COME ON DOWN TO THE OFFICE THURSDAY NIGHT, IT WILL BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET TO KNOW SOME OF OUR NEW MEMBERS. DON'T BE ANTI-SOCIAL - COME TO THE WORK PARTY.

CHANGES IN THE ROUTINE

JUNE IS NOT AN ORDINARY MONTH AS ALL ROMANTICISTS WILL TELL YOU. WELL, IT SEEMS TO HAVE HAD ITS EFFECTS ON DOB TOO. THINGS ARE A LITTLE MORE OUT OF WHACK THAN USUAL. THE BUSINESS MEETING THIS MONTH WILL BE ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH. ALSO, WE ARE NOT HAVING A MONTHLY PARTY IN JUNE. NO, I DON'T KNOW WHY, I JUST WORK HERE. MAYBE ITS BECAUSE ITS JUNE.

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NATIONAL STILL NEEDS MANY DOLLARS OF THE GREEN OR SILVER VARIETY. ALL CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED, AND THEY ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!!!! HOW ABOUT THAT DOLLAR FROM EACH MEMBER? DID YOU FORGET?

GAB 'N JAVA

AFTER ALL THESE ERUDITE DISCUSSIONS WE'VE BEEN HAVING; AND 'CAUSE WE DON'T HAVE A PARTY IN THE OFFING THIS MONTH, WE ARE GOING TO DO THIS GAB 'N JAVA IN A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT HUE. SUMMER'S HERE (IN SAN FRANCISCO?), THE CAMERA BUGS HAVE COME OUT OF HIDING, AND YOU ARE MAKING PLANS FOR THAT VACATION. SO BRING 4 OR 5 OF YOUR FAVORITE SLIDES, NO PRONOGRAPHY PLEASE, WITH YOU. COME PREPARED FOR A PLEASANT EVENING THAT WON'T CONCERN ITSELF WITH SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT.

CALANDER OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 7 DOB BUSINESS
8:00 PM - 443 JUSTIN MEETING
THURSDAY JUNE 8 LADDER WORK
7:00 PM - 1232 MARKET PARTY
FRIDAY JUNE 30 GAB 'N JAVA
8:00 PM - 655 JOOST

ANYBODY LOSE A JUNE-BUG?

MONEY IS JUST NOT THE ANSWER

AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, THE FIGHT BETWEEN THE RED INK AND THE BLACK INK ON NAT'L'S BOOKS HAS NOT SUBSIDED. BY NOW IT IS HOPED THAT YOU HAVE SENT IN YOUR LADDER SUBSCRIPTION AND THUS HELPED TO GET US BACK SOLIDLY IN THE BLACK. BUT THIS IS NOT THE WHOLE ANSWER TO DOB'S NEEDS BY A LONG SHOT. GIBRAN, IN HIS WISDOM, SAID IT VERY WELL, "YOU GIVE BUT LITTLE WHEN YOU GIVE OF YOUR POSSESSIONS. IT IS WHEN YOU GIVE OF YOURSELF THAT YOU TRULY GIVE." AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT IS NEEDED - YOUR HELP. IF YOU CAN TYPE, YOU ARE A RARE AND VALUABLE COMMODITY. THERE ARE OTHER JOBS TOO, FILING, ASSEMBLING THE LADDER, ETC. IF YOU CAN COME DOWN TO THE OFFICE A FEW HOURS A MONTH OR COULD DO SOME TYPING AT HOME - YOU ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED FOR THOSE UNGLAMOROUS BUT ESSENTIAL JOBS. AND TRY NOT TO BE DISAPPOINTED IF BY CHANCE THE ONLY EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE IS A SIGN OF RELIEF RATHER THAN A LOUD SACCHARINE 'THANK YOU' FOR VOLUNTEERING-YOU SEE THERE IS NO ONE TO GIVE THE FORMAL THANKS - WE ARE ALL JUST VOLUNTEERS. SO AS THEY SAY IN CHESS: ITS YOUR MOVE. (CALL ON A TUES. OR THURS. EVENING-UN 3-8196)

THIS IS CONFUSION

ARE YOU CONFUSED ABOUT THE OUTCOME, AND INGO OF BOOKS AT THE OFFICE? YES, WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU TAKE ANY OF THE BOOKS THE BOOK SERVICE HAS - FOR A PRICE THAT IS. BUT NO, YOU ARE ONLY SUPPOSED TO BE BORROWING THE LIBRARY BOOKS. SO DO SUPPORT THE BOOK SERVICE AND HELP NAT'L GET FILTHY RICH AND AT THE SAME TIME - RETURN THOSE LIBRARY BOOKS YOU ARE HOARDING.

"PICNIC"

WE'RE NOT SURE IF KIM CAN MAKE IT OR NOT (OH, WHAT YOU SAID), BUT WE ARE GOING RIGHT AHEAD WITH OUR PLANS FOR A PICNIC IN AUGUST. WATCH THE AUGUST NEWSLETTER FOR THE PLACE AND DATE.

SOMETHING ELSE YOU SHOULDN'T MISS

IN SELF DEFENSE THAT IS. NOMINATIONS FOR CHAPTER OFFICERS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE AUGUST BUSINESS MEETING. START WRITING THOSE NOMINATION SPEECHES, HERE'S A CHANCE TO DO YOUR FRIENDS IN-AND ALL FOR THE CAUSE TOO.

LADDER WORK PARTY

WE ARE BACK TO A LIST OF STOUT HEARTED VOLUNTEERS. BUT IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE LIST AND HAPPEN TO SEE A NAME THAT STRIKES YOUR EYE - IT IS NOT A CLOSED PARTY, JOIN US. VI, CLYDIA, JOAN, NAN, JO (& JOAN) ARE SCHEDULED TO PUT IN AN APPEARANCE.

GAB 'N JAVA

A VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND CHARMING MEMBER OF THE GROUP IS GOING TO LEAD THE DISCUSSION ON A TOPIC SHE SEEMS RATHER WELL INFORMED ON: AFTER THE HONEYMOON, WHAT? NOW THIS MIGHT SLIGHT THE ACADEMIC SIDE A BIT BUT THERE IS NOTHING LIKE BEING PRACTICAL FOR A CHANGE.

CALANDER OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY JULY 12 DOB BUSINESS
8:00 PM - 443 JUSTIN MEETING
THURSDAY JULY 13 LADDER WORK
6:00 PM - 1232 MARKET PARTY
SATURDAY JULY 22 DOB MONTHLY
CALL UN 38196 FOR LOCALE. PARTY
FRIDAY JULY 28 GAB 'N JAVA
8:00 PM - 655 JOOST

A ROOT IS A FLOWER THAT DISDAINS FAME

DAUGHTERS

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San Francisco Chapter

NEWSLETTER

August 1961

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the San Francisco chapter officers will be opened at the business meeting in August.

The election will be held at the September business meeting. Please plan to attend both of these very important meetings. For those who are unable to attend the election meeting, proxy ballots will be mailed with the September news letter.

LADDER SUBSCRIPTIONS

As you know the Ladder subscription is now separated from DOB membership. Lets get behind the Ladder and send in those subscriptions.

SALE**SALE! : ! -35%*

Candy that is--a bargain at \$1.00 a can. Someone you know must have a birthday soon. How about early Christmas shopping. There are only 147 more shopping days until Christmas.

FUNDS--Money type

Anyone have any ideas? The chapters are always interested in money making ideas.

HOMOPHILES ON TELEVISION

In case you have been wondering what happened to this program, here is a bit of information. The film must be sold to a number of stations in the NET (National Educational Television). If and when it is purchased by the required number it will be shown on channel 9

PICNIC

DOB annual picnic---this is a fun day. ~~This year~~ the picnic will again be held in Alum Rock Park in San Jose. There is a fee to enter the park, fifty cents per car, I think. Food will be furnished by the chapter; bring your own drinking material. Party rates will prevail.

HELP WANTED STILL YET

Are you getting the message? The Ladder needs help of the working type. Volunteer labor is needed, both in getting the copy ready and putting the magazine together. We owe many thanks to a few very steady workers who make the Ladder monthly mailing possible.

BOOKS

We are still collecting used books for sale. Lets get busy and clean out all the closets and book cases.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 9

8:00 pm Business meeting
443 Justin S. F.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10

6:00 pm on Ladder work party
1232 Market, Suite 108

SUNDAY AUGUST 20

8:00 am on Annual picnic
Alum Rock San Jose

FRIDAY AUGUST 25

Gab and Java
655 Joost

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San Francisco Chapter

NEWSLETTER

Sept. 1961

ATTENTION TV VIEWERS

September 11, 1961 at 9:30 P. M., KQED TV (Channel 9) will present an hour-long documentary film entitled "The Rejected". The program will deal with the legal, social, medical, and anthropological aspects of male homosexuality in the United States today.

CANDIDATES

PRESIDENT-----Phyllis

VICE PRESIDENT-----Dubbie

SECRETARY-----Kathy

TREASURER-----Elaine

A reminder--only persons holding full membership are eligible to vote. Proxy ballots should be mailed to the DOB office, 1232 Market St. Rm 108 or delivered to the business meeting. Don't forget to sign the ballot.

BOOK SERVICE

The Book Service now has a new supply of 3 OBOLI TO APHRODITE--Two long playing high fidelity recordings of poems by Pierre Louys

PARTY ! PARTY !

The social event this month will be our annual cocktail party. This is a get together with the boys. Plan to attend. Break out your best dress for this occasion. The witching hours will be from 4 P. M. to 6 P. M. inclusive. No drinks will be served after 6.

LADDER WORK PARTY #%"&*!@08

Remember the work party for the September issue of "The Ladder" will be held on the 30th and 31st of August. This is earlier than usual and is an attempt to get the Ladder publication back on schedual.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

30,31 August--Ladder work party
6 P.M. on-1232 Market, Rm 108.
13 Sept-----Business meeting
8 P.M., 655 Joost
17 Sept-----Cocktail party
4 P.M. to 6 P.M., 651 Duncan
29 Sept-----Gab and Java
8 P.M., 655 Joost.

PROXY BALLOT

VOTE FOR ONE**

PRESIDENT, PHYLLIS _____, WRITE IN _____

VICE PRESIDENT. DUBBIE _____, WRITE IN _____

SECRETARY, KATHY _____, WRITE IN _____

TREASURER, ELAINE _____, WRITE IN _____

SIGNATURE: _____

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OF

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San Francisco Chapter

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER, 1961 - VOL. III, No. 2

NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS

UNANIMOUS WAS THE WORD FOR THE ELECTIONS HELD BY THE SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER LAST MONTH. ELECTED WERE PHYLLIS LYON, PRESIDENT; DUBBIE WALTER, VICE-PRESIDENT; KATHY ROGERS, SECRETARY, AND ELAINE KINGSTON, TREASURER.

THE NEW OFFICERS ARE HOPEFUL THAT THE S.F. CHAPTER WILL BECOME A DYNAMIC ENTITY ONCE AGAIN, AND AS A START IN THIS DIRECTION URGE THAT EVERYONE STRIVE TO BRING IN NEW MEMBERS. WE CAN USE NEW IDEAS, NEW WAYS OF DOING THINGS, NEW HANDS TO HELP WITH THE EVER-PRESENT TASKS.

NEW PLANS

MUCH IS PLANNED FOR THE MONTHS AHEAD. THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN MEMBERS ONLY A FEW YEARS HAVE NEVER ATTENDED A PUBLIC DISCUSSION MEETING SUCH AS THOSE HELD MONTHLY PRIOR TO THE 1960 CONVENTION. THE PLAN NOW IS TO HOLD SUCH MEETINGS IN SAN FRANCISCO ON A QUARTERLY BASIS WITH A TOP PROFESSIONAL SPEAKER AT A DOWNTOWN MEETING HALL. ALL WILL BE WELCOME, AND PERHAPS THIS WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO INTRODUCE YOUR FRIENDS, BOTH MALE AND FEMALE, TO THE WORK DOB IS DOING. WATCH YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FIRST SUCH MEETING.

BILLYE TALLMIJ HAS AGREED TO ONCE AGAIN TAKE OVER AS MODERATOR AT THE GAB 'N JAVAS. BUT THE TOPIC FOR NEXT MEETING IS A LEGACY FROM PAT SACKS WHO HAS BEEN DOING SUCH A TOP JOB OF ORGANIZING THE GAB 'N JAVAS. PAT WONDERS HOW THE HOMOPHILE FITS INTO SAN FRANCISCO'S ELECTION PICTURE. WITH THE ELECTION OF S.F.'S BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMING UP IN NOVEMBER THIS IS INDEED A PERTINENT QUESTION FOR ALL - PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE CANDIDACY OF JOSE SARRIA.

NEW MEETING PLACES

READ THE NEXT COLUMN CAREFULLY - WE'VE CHANGED THE PLACES WHERE VARIOUS MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD.

COSTUMES READY?

THE ANNUAL HALLOWE'EN PARTY IS COMING UP. SO SHARPEN UP YOUR IMAGINATION. THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR THE

BEST COSTUME SINGLY AND AS A COUPLE - AND WOE TO THE ONES NOT WEARING COSTUMES!

LADDER WORK PARTIES UNDER NEW REGIME

NAN, WHO IS DOING A TERRIFIC JOB ON THIS THANKLESS TASK, HAS THE FOLLOWING TO SAY:

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE PART IN HELPING YOUR ORGANIZATION?

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!

COME TO THE WORK PARTIES AND BRING A FRIEND OR TWO. DOORS WILL BE OPEN PROMPTLY - IF NOT SOONER - AT 6 P.M. THURSDAY, OCT. 12TH AND AT 1 P.M. SATURDAY, OCT. 14TH.

WE NEED YOU!
SEE YOU THERE?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 8 P.M. - BUSINESS MEETING AT 651 DUNCAN STREET.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 AT 6 P.M. AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 1 P.M. - LADDER WORK PARTY AT THE DOB OFFICE, 1232 MARKET STREET.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 - HALLOWE'EN PARTY. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE, UN 3-8196, TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS, TO PLACE YOUR RESERVATION, AND FIND OUT WHERE THE PARTY WILL BE HELD. THIS IS IMPORTANT!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 - GAB 'N JAVA, 8:30 P.M., 655 JOOST ST. BRING YOUR ELECTION IDEAS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 - BUSINESS MEETING, 8 P.M., 651 DUNCAN STREET.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY - FOR MEMBERS ONLY - SO ALL YOU LAGGARDS BETTER GET YOUR MONEY ON THE LINE.

JOKE

SORRY, NO ROOM. READ NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE.

DAUGHTERS

OF

BILITIS

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BRING MEN!

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO SHOW ALL YOUR FRIENDS - MALE AND FEMALE - HOW DOB OPERATES. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, FROM 4-6 P.M., IS OUR ANNUAL COCKTAIL PARTY - TO BE HELD THIS YEAR AT 651 DUNCAN STREET.

MAKE IT A POINT TO COME - AND TO BRING AS MANY FRIENDS OF BOTH SEXES AS YOU CAN. A \$2.00 DONATION COVERS EVERYTHING.

IF YOU WANT US TO WE'LL SEND OUT PERSONAL INVITATIONS TO YOUR FRIENDS. JUST DROP A NOTE TO THE OFFICE WITH THE FRIEND'S ADDRESS AND WE'LL DO THE REST.

OH, YES. PLEASE RSVP EITHER TO THE OFFICE, UN 3-8196, OR TO VA 4-2790. THIS IS IMPORTANT. IF YOU DON'T WE MIGHT RUN SHORT ON COCKTAILS!

DATE CHANGE - NOTE!

LAST MONTH'S NEWSLETTER INDICATED NOVEMBER 8 AS THE DATE FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING. IT HAS BEEN SHOVED AHEAD ONE WEEK TO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

BLOOD AVAILABLE

DOB NOW HAS A SMALL STOCK OF BLOOD DONATED UNDER ITS NAME AT IRWIN MEMORIAL BLOOD BANK IN SAN FRANCISCO. MORE DONORS WOULD MAKE THE FUND GROW!

BUSINESS MEETING RESUME

MAJOR DISCUSSION AT LAST MONTH'S BUSINESS MEETING CENTERED ON THE FORTHCOMING COCKTAIL PARTY AND ALSO ON THE PUBLIC DISCUSSION MEETINGS WHICH ARE TO BE RESUMED IN JANUARY.

NEED TO BUILD UP A MAILING LIST OF MEN WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SUCH PUBLIC MEETINGS WAS STRESSED, AND ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO SEND IN THE NAMES OF ANYONE THEY THINK WOULD BE INTERESTED IN COMING TO OUR PUBLIC DISCUSSION MEETINGS.

APPROXIMATELY 20 MEMBERS ATTENDED. JAYE BELL FILLED THE MEMBERS IN ON NATIONAL'S CURRENT PROBLEMS, AND THERE WAS A BRIEF REPORT ON THE LATEST PROGRESS IN THE VARIOUS RESEARCH PROGRAMS NOW UNDERWAY OR PENDING.

SHE HAS FOUND THE ANSWER

JOAN W. AVERS THAT SHE "HAS FOUND THE ANSWER", AND WILL LET US ALL IN ON IT AT THE NEXT GAB 'N JAVA. YOUR EDITOR BELIEVES THAT SIMONE'S "SECOND SEX" FIGURES IN SOMEWHERE.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY A BALL

MORE THAN 30 PEOPLE AGREED THE HALLOWE'EN PARTY THIS YEAR WAS ONE OF OUR BEST.

CLEO, A GORGEOUS RUSSIAN PRINCESS, WON FIRST PRIZE FOR SINGLE COSTUMES AND DOTTIE AND KATHY THE PRIZE FOR THE MOST ORIGINAL COUPLE - TWO WANDERING MINSTRELS.

THE PARTY WAS THE DEBUT OF A UNIQUE MUSICAL GROUP WHICH IS LOOKING FOR A NAME. IDEAS ARE SOLICITED. WHOEVER COMES UP WITH THE NAME FINALLY CHOSEN WILL WIN A FREE CONCERT! ALSO, ANYONE WITH MUSICAL (?) TALENT WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE GROUP SHOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH DOTTIE DEE THROUGH THE DOB OFFICE.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9 & 10, 6 P.M. - LADDER WORK PARTY. PLEASE! NANCY HAS HAD VERY LITTLE HELP GETTING THE LADDER OUT. HOW ABOUT PITCHING IN THIS MONTH - EVEN IF ONLY FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS. COME RIGHT AFTER WORK - YOU CAN EAT NEAR (OR IN) THE OFFICE AND GET HOME MUCH EARLIER, WITH MORE DONE, THAN IF YOU COME LATER. BUT EARLY OR LATE, COME!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 8 P.M. - BUSINESS MEETING AT 651 DUNCAN STREET.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 8:30 P.M. GAB 'N JAVA AT 655 JOOST STREET. SEE TOP OF COLUMN FOR TOPIC.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 4-6 P.M. COCKTAIL PARTY AT 651 DUNCAN STREET.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY - FOR MEMBERS ONLY. SO JOIN!

DUES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE EVERY MONTH, OR FOR THREE MONTHS IN ADVANCE. PAY NOW AND AVOID THE XMAS RUSH.

PARDON OUR INFORMALITY,
BUT WE'RE HAVING NEW NEWSLETTER FORMS PRINTED AND
THEY HAVEN'T COME BACK FROM THE PRINTERS YET.
HOWEVER, WE'RE SURE THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN
THIS MAKESHIFT FORMAT WILL RECEIVE THE SAME ATTEN-
TION (OR INATTENTION!) THE REGULAR FORM USUALLY DOES.

BUSINESS MEETING RESUME

MAJOR DECISION AT NOVEMBER'S BUSINESS MEETING WAS
THAT OF JOINING WITH DOB'S GOVERNMENT BOARD IN OB-
TAINING A TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE TO SERVE BOTH
DOB'S NATIONAL BUSINESS AND THE SAN FRANCISCO
CHAPTER.

THE VOTE WAS TO TRY THE 24-HOUR SERVICE FOR TWO
MONTHS, TO SEE HOW IT WORKS OUT. SO NOW, YOU CAN
CALL THE OFFICE (UNDERHILL 2-6 95) AT ANY TIME AND
IF NO ONE IS THERE LEAVE A MESSAGE.

WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT BY THIS METHOD WE WILL CONTACT
SOME OF THE MANY PEOPLE WE KNOW HAVE TRIED, IN VAIN,
TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US BEFORE.

BESIDES THE DECISION ON THE ANSWERING SERVICE OUR
TREASURER STRESSED THE NEED FOR PROMPT PAYMENT OF
DUES. ANYONE IN ARREARS IS URGED TO CHECK WITH
ELAINE IMMEDIATELY. (INCIDENTALLY, THOSE OF YOU
WHO HAVE PAID DUES SINCE OCTOBER SHOULD ALSO CHECK
WITH ELAINE. SHE HAS EVERYONE CREDITED CORRECTLY
ON THE BOOKS, BUT DOESN'T HAVE THE INFORMATION
NECESSARY FOR EV AS TO WHAT MONTH THE MONEY WAS
PAID.)

THE CHAPTER ALSO VOTED TO DONATE \$50 TO HELP DEFRAY
THE INCIDENTAL EXPENSES OF SHORTY'S TRIP TO NEW YORK.
TRAVELING EXPENSES WERE DONATED BY A NEW YORK MEMBER!

GAB 'N JAVA RECOGNIZING SUCCESS

THE 15 PEOPLE THAT BRAVED THE STORM TO COME TO LAST
MONTH'S GAB FEST WERE REWARDED WITH THE LIVELIEST, AND
MOST STIMULATING, DISCUSSION WE HAVE HAD IN MANY A
MONTH. THOSE WHO DIDN'T COME REALLY MISSED SOMETHING.
JOAN W. DESERVES A BIG THANKS FOR HER CALM AND PROVOCA-
TIVE MODERATING. WE HOPE SHE'LL SERVE AS MODERATOR
AGAIN SOMETIME.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

BECAUSE WE NEED DANCE RECORDS BADLY, THE DONA-
TION AT THIS YEAR'S PARTY WILL BE \$2.00 PLUS
ONE 45 RPM RECORD. BRING ANYTHING YOU WOULD
LIKE TO DANCE TO. NOTE: THAT IS \$2.00 AND ONE
RECORD EACH. BE SURE TO BRING ONLY 45S - THE
PLAYER WON'T TAKE ANYTHING ELSE. IF IN DOUBT
CONTACT THE OFFICE.

SINCE THE PRIZE COMES UP EACH YEAR, NOTE THAT
THE NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY IS THE ONE PARTY OF
THE YEAR THAT IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY. A MEMBER
MAY OR NO A NON-MEMBER AS HER DATE, BUT A MEM-
BER CANNOT BRING ANOTHER GUEST AS HER GUESTS!

PLEASE PHONE YOUR RESERVATIONS TO THE OFFICE AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 & 9 - LADDER WORK
PARTY. TIME ON FRIDAY - 7 P.M. ON SATURDAY,
FROM NOON ON. THIS IS AN EXCELLENT TIME TO
REALLY GET TO TALK TO PEOPLE AND ALSO PERFORM A
VITAL FUNCTION FOR DOB.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 8 P.M. - BUSINESS
MEETING AT 651 DUNCAN STREET.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 9 P.M. TO 2 A.M. - NEW
YEAR'S EVE PARTY. SEE TOP OF COLUMN.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 8:30 P.M. - GAB 'N JAVA AT
655 JOOST STREET.

DO YOU JUST BELONG??

ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER, THE KIND THAT WOULD BE
MISSED; OR ARE YOU JUST CONTENTED THAT YOUR
NAME IS ON THE LIST?

DO YOU TAKE AN ACTIVE PART TO HELP THE WORK ALONG;
OR ARE YOU SATISFIED TO ONLY JUST BELONG?

THINK THIS OVER, MEMBER. YOU KNOW RIGHT FROM WRONG;
ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER OR DO YOU JUST BELONG?