S.J. Mayor Hayes turns in gavel

By Rosalie Nichols

Janet Gray Hayes, who became the first woman mayor of a major U.S. city when she took office at San Jose’s City Hall in 1975, has ended her last gavel as chairperson of our City Council meetings.

Mayor Hayes has played a significant role in Gay politics during her twelve years on the council, Hayes voted with a 6-to-1 majority to add “sexual preference” to the city’s existing antidiscrimination policy for city hiring and awarding of contracts. When a city contractor wrote to object, Janet Gray Hayes, by then Mayor-Elect, replied, “I do not believe that a person’s sexual preferences have to perform on the job... you can continue to hire whomever you please but simply refrain from bidding on city jobs.”

Feminist Alliance and Gay Student Union of Pride Day being sponsored by the Lesbian-Gay or straight, and bereavement leave for city employees and possible health benefits for their domestic partners.

Gay couples, whether residents of San Francisco or not, would have been able to record their relationships by filing an affidavit and paying a fee to the S.F. county clerk’s office.

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Mayor Hayes took a trip to China in 1979, and in her absence, Acting Mayor Jim Self finally issued the coveted Gay Rights Day Proclamation which had become such an issue among Gay activists. It was the only one we ever got.

I don’t intend to retire. I do intend to clean out the base ment... but I know I won’t be satisfied with that for too long.

Mayor Janet Gray Hayes

But the same year, Mayor Hayes was joined by five of her council colleagues in voting for a city ordinance to protect Gay people from discrimination in employment and housing.

Mormons and Moral Majoritarians forced the ordinance and a similar county ordinance onto the 1980 ballot, where it was rejected by a landslide, in spite of campaign support from Mayor Hayes and many other elected officials who lent their names, donated money, and did radio spots for Measures A&B.

Gay activists have remained on a collegial basis with Mayor Hayes since the 1980 defeat and have turned their attention to more traditional political activity, attending dinners, raising money for candidates.

With the departure of Janet Gray Hayes on December 31 and the swearing in of Tom McEnery on January 5, one drama ends and a new political drama begins.

In this issue, Our Paper presents a photo feature by Ray Lillo and an interview with Mayor Janet Gray Hayes on the eve of her last council session.

Gay hopes raised, dashed

S.F. Mayor vetoes Gay spouse bill

By Rosalie Nichols

In a move that apparently caught even veteran San Francisco Gay activists off guard, Mayor Dianne Feinstein vetoed that city’s Domestic Partners bill, which had been passed 8-to-3 by the S.F. Board of Supervisors.

Denying that her veto was “a comment on any lifestyle,” Feinstein claimed she opposed the measure because it was “vague and unworkable.”

The legislation, authored by Gay Supervisor Harry Britt, would have provided visiting rights at county jails and hospitals for unmarried domestic partners, Gay or straight, and bereavement leave for city employees and possible health benefits for their manual maids, protesters demonstrated in front of St. Mary’s Cathedral. Sister Boom Boom, who recently garnered 23,000 votes in a campaign for Supervisor, carried a sign reading, “Closet Quinn.”

“We are not tearing at the fabric of theology,” Boom Boom said, according to a story by B.A.R. reporter Konstantin Berland. “We’re just letting out the seams for a better fit because we are a growing society.”

Quinn’s action was reminiscent of a similar statement he had issued during the Santa Clara County campaign for Gay Rights Measures A&B in 1980.

The measures had been unani mously endorsed by the Commis sion on Social Justice of the

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Mayor Dianne Feinstein

(Photograph courtesy of Ray Lillo)
Mayor Janet Gray Hayes:

After 8 Years Service to San Jose...

By Ray LlUo

Mayor Janet Gray Hayes will say goodbye to the mayorship of San Jose. Since 1975, she has held the reins of leadership here in the 14th largest city in the United States. Mass said a woman mayor had no chance in hell to lead local city officials or civic government. Yes, the mayor has surprised many of those who spoke originally to run for public office? Our Paper: What prompted you to run for City Council?

JGH: When I look back, I realize it was a lot of good work. I was a neighbor and friend of Mayor Jerry Estruth. I was an Episcopalian minister, and I was an active person. The mayor's office was a good place to be. I remember standing next to the mayor, who was wearing a red coat and tie. What nerve, said Mayor Hayes.

On December 31, 1982, Mayor Janet Gray Hayes will say goodbye to the mayorship of San Jose.

Mayor Hayes has spoken out loudly for San Jose, and as far as I remember, she was always positive for her city. She was always positive to people who wanted to see San Jose.

JGH: Why not? We might as well try. We have been known as the urban center for the last twelve years.

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years as Mayor, you have declined to issue any Pride Day proclama-
tions. Do you think Gay citizens will be able to obtain con-
stitutional protections the same as the others?
JGH: I don't think it will be surpris-
ing if it happens.
OP: In general, do you have any advice for our next Mayor?
JGH: I solicited advice from an experienced Mayor in California, who
had a brief moment of notoriety. He
suggested people should want to be
in two things at City Hall: they should
not be behind the desk, but at the desk.
I really recommended that be-
cause this job is exhausting, and you
expect the unsolicited, roll up your
sleeves, things that are important but
yet take the issues as they come.
OP: Do you have any advice I could give. Just hang loose and
done that you can.
OP: What's next in your politi-
cal future?
JGH: I would like to do it with a little
more clout among local elected officials
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OP: Where do you see the local
Gay community in 20 years?
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ROGER LEE INTERVIEW

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**Our Story**

*Christina of Sweden*

Christina of Sweden was a woman of rare intelligence and determination. Born on October 8, 1626, she was the heir apparent to the throne of Sweden. From the early years of her life, she showed a strong inclination towards the arts and sciences. Her tomboyishness was evident, as she often dressed in men's clothing and was known for her love of outdoor activities. Her early life was marked by a strong attachment to her lady-in-waiting, Ebba Sparre, whom she called her "love, it seems, can evade even the most powerful."

As their numbers grow, how do Gay men deal with the "edge" of closetry? Every "edge" is important, and some, there is the matter of how it is linked to sexual preference. For many, there are many who have, to one degree or another.

**Living on the Edge**

by Allen Young

Some people, I suspect, may think that they have settled the matter of coming out. They feel that they have done enough, that the matter is settled, and that it is time to put it aside. They may say, "I've been honest about my sexual orientation for as long as I can remember," or "I've been open about my sexual identity in every aspect of my life," or "I've been closeted in my past and have now come out." But these identities are not always clear, and there are many who have struggled with the issue of coming out.

In her book, "The Edge," Christina of Sweden discusses the challenges of living a Gay life and the importance of coming out. She encourages all forms of artistic expression, granting subsidies to at least two Caio composers, Corelli and Scarlatti. She openly referred to Sparre as "someone you can confide in."

**The Women's Voice**

Don Juan's Call Lupe about her 2 for 1 dinner specials 279-2250

John: Take your time, look around. There are various places to call and get advice. I think it's easier to come out now than fifteen years ago. People are more open about their sexual orientation.

Don: I've known for a long time that I'm Gay. I've tried to come out of the closet, but I've always felt that I'm not at all comfortable talking about it. I think it's easier to come out now than fifteen years ago. People are more open about their sexual orientation.

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**Our Question:**

What advice would you give to a young person thinking of coming out?

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**Tell Teri**

Once again, the difference between men and women in our society. I think the men's point of view should be represented in this article. It's interesting to hear the men's views on "coming out" as opposed to the women's.
Tell Teri

and met a woman. A very nice
woman, and she showed me some­thing I had known all my life, just
brought it out in me.

I visited John Gamble at his
new business, Furniture Plus last
week. He was hard at work, getting
ready for his grand opening on
Christmas Eve, but for me
it’s the most important holiday of
the year. No, not Christmas,
but December 31, buck teeth, kids, for the practice of exchanging
gifts with Friends, and all those
tings that we associate with the
season. But at our house, Christ­
mas Eve is family time, an oppor­
tunity for us all to get together
in our own group before the
big push.

The circumstances of celebra­
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it’s our friends, sometimes it’s parents.
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around the tree, breathing a sigh
of relief that the shopping is done
and the presents are all wrapped,
and enjoy our fancy clothes and gather to
enjoy our home-style specialties,
ourselves with Réveillon.

I gather that the French origin­
of this meal after midnight
mass, but for us, it’s seasonal
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on hepatitis B

Hepatitis B, a serious disease, may be sexually transmitted
Sexually transmitted diseases among the gay community are epidemic. Herpes has recently received a lot of attention; gonorrhea and syphilis are well known; but the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recently issued a major recommendation for the prevention of another sexually transmitted disease: Hepatitis B. In their Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, the CDC stated: "Susceptible homosexually active males should be vaccinated against hepatitis B regardless of their age or duration of their homosexual practices."

Gay men are at a high risk of contracting hepatitis B
In one study, from 51% to 76% of 3,816 gay men seen in five sexually transmitted disease clinics had evidence of past or present hepatitis B infection. Once infected, there's a 6% to 10% chance of becoming a carrier—capable of passing on the virus. The CDC estimated there are nearly 1 million carriers in the United States and that 100,000 of these carriers are gay men.

The hepatitis B virus can be passed on by contact with contaminated body fluids such as saliva, urine, semen, and blood. The hepatitis B virus can be transmitted through tiny breaks in the skin or contact with mucous membranes. This can occur during intimate sexual contact and can lead to hepatitis B for the partner of an infected person. Although most patients recover and over half contracting hepatitis B do not get symptoms, there is no specific treatment and no known cure for hepatitis B infections.

Hepatitis B may lead to even more serious complications
For those who do get symptoms of hepatitis B, a mild or severe "flu-like" sickness may continue for weeks or months. Ten percent of all infections become long-lasting (chronic) with potential complications that are sometimes more serious than those of other sexually transmitted diseases. The serious complications include the chronic carrier state, chronic active hepatitis, chronic persistent hepatitis, cirrhosis, and even cancer of the liver. Every year almost 4,000 carriers die of cirrhosis. In addition, carriers have a risk 273 times greater than that of the general population of contracting a usually fatal form of liver cancer.

Now this serious sexually transmitted disease is usually preventable by vaccination with the new hepatitis B vaccine
After more than a decade of research and development, a new vaccine is available for prevention, not treatment, of hepatitis B. In clinical studies, the vaccine was highly effective in preventing hepatitis B infection and was generally well tolerated. No serious adverse reactions occurred in these studies.

The vaccination regimen consists of a series of three injections, the first two a month apart and the third, six months after the first. To be effective, the vaccine must be given before a person gets hepatitis B. The vaccine helps prevent the disease: It is not effective as a treatment. We suggest that you consult your doctor to determine if you should be vaccinated.

For more information about hepatitis B and the vaccine to prevent it, contact your doctor, clinic, or the American Liver Foundation. 998 Pompton Avenue, Cedar Grove, NJ 07009 (201) 857-2626.

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Why you should consult your doctor or clinic
The vaccine helps protect against infection caused by hepatitis B virus. This virus is an important cause of viral hepatitis, a disease mainly of the liver. Even mild forms of this disease may lead to serious complications and aftereffects, including liver cancer. There is no specific treatment for viral hepatitis. Vaccination is recommended for persons who have a higher risk of becoming infected with hepatitis B virus because of frequent, close contact with infected people or exposure to body fluids from such people. It will not protect against hepatitis caused by viruses other than hepatitis B virus.

No serious adverse reactions were reported in over 6,000 individuals receiving the vaccine in clinical trials. The most frequent reaction was soreness at the point of injection; less common local reactions included redness, swelling, warmth, or formation of a hard, lump-like spot. The local effects were usually mild and lasted no more than 2 days after vaccination. Occasionally, low-grade fever (less than 101°F) occurred. When it did, it usually lasted no longer than 48 hours following vaccination. In rare cases, fever over 102°F was reported. More generalized complaints including malaise, fatigue, headache, nausia, dizziness, muscle pain, and joint pain were reported infrequently. Rash was reported rarely. As with any vaccine, broad use may reveal additional adverse reactions.

Your doctor or clinic knows what special care must be taken when administering the vaccine and in determining who should receive the vaccine. The vaccine is not intended for persons who are allergic to any of its components.