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Out of the streets . . . Into the House

By Konstantin Berlandt

New York *(GPA Wire)* The crowd of several thousand gathered at Sheridan Square, lining up with banners and candles down Christopher Street in front of what was once the Stonewall bar, proverbial birthplace of the modern Gay Liberation movement. Posters in the air sung the slogan: "Fighting for our lives!"

As demonstrators proceeded down Bleecker Street early this month for the Federal Building in Federal Plaza, marchers added the chant: "What do we want? Money for AIDS! When do we want it? NOW!"

A golden dollar sign held high at the front of the march led the way, the imperative from the already ill and among the worried faces those who may not know it yet.

"We never know who or when it will strike," said rally M.C. Jim Fourat on the rally platform below the government headquarters, stark against the night sky as the dark monolith in "2001."

"To be healthy today is no guarantee," Fourat added. One hand-made sign near the stage: "Man: The Next Endangered Species."

Manhattan Democratic Congressman Ted Weiss, a favorite of the crowd, thanked the gay community for raising the

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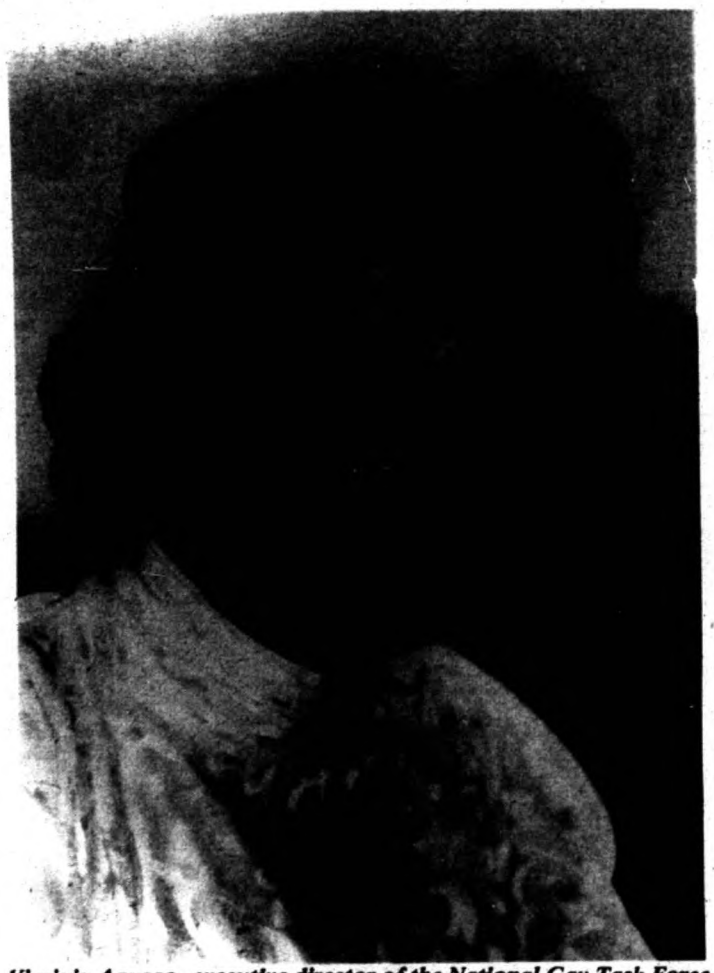

Virginia Apuzzo, executive director of the National Gay Task Force, spoke at Sheridan Square in New York, then went to Washington, D.C. ten days later to testify before a Congressional subcommittee urging immediate funding for adequate AIDS research.

Washington, DC — Increased AIDS funding was supported in testimony before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education on May 12 by Virginia Apuzzo, Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force (NGTF), Dr. David Ostrow of Chicago's Howard Brown Memorial Clinic and Dr. Roger Enlow, Director of New York City's Office of Gay and Lesbian Health Concerns.

The Hearing was on fiscal year 1984 funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and was one of the many AIDS-related measures being lobbied by the AIDS Project of the Gay Rights National Lobby.

Apuzzo proposed several specific steps in her testimony. "Today I call upon the Congress of the United States to appropriate (funds) for a comprehensive and coordinated program of research on AIDS in order to stop this frightful waste of lives and resources . . . I call upon NIH to speed up the procedures for reviewing AIDS research grant requests and to release funds already available.

"I call upon the Assistant Secretary for Health to make public his agenda for dealing with this crisis. We need to know if the government has a plan, and what it is, in order to coordinate private

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Community Meeting:

AIDS & AB-1

The AIDS epidemic and legislation aimed at eliminating discrimination against Gay men and Lesbian women will be the topics of discussion at a community meeting on Wednesday, May 25th in downtown San Jose. Anyone concerned is urged to attend.

The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Metropolitan Community Church, 160 E. Virginia Street (between 3rd and 5th Sts. in the Dole Pineapple building, 2nd floor).

At a recent meeting regarding AB-1, the non-discrimination bill going before the full State Assembly in June, many participants agreed that the present gay health

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INTERVIEWS

Last November, popular Santa Clara County Supervisor Dan McCorquodale was elected to the California State Senate. This June 7th, a special election will be held to choose a successor to fill the Board of Supervisors seat he vacated for the remainder of his term. Only two candidates qualified for the ballot, appointed incumbent Tom Legan and opponent Anita Duarte. Both were interviewed by political columnist Johnie Staggs late last month.

Anita Duarte

Our Paper: What are your qualifications and why do you want to be supervisor?
Anita Duarte: I am a native Californian and have lived in Santa Clara County most of my life. I have been a resident homeowner, businesswoman and civic leader in the 3rd Supervisorial District for 23 years.

I was a founding member of the Health Systems Agency and a precinct chairperson for the American Heart Association.

In 1977, as a board member for the Human Development Foundation, I worked on the formulation of the 10th Alternative to the Santa Clara Valley Corridor Evaluation, a $990,000 study jointly conducted by the Association of Bay Area Governments and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

As a private citizen I established a delegation of private citizens to attend the United States Low/Middle Income Housing Conference in Washington, D.C. In addition, I have been active on the Santa Clara County Commission on the Status of Women.

I have been working with the issues we face in our district for 23 years, and I have been successful in many accomplishments. As your supervisor, I will work with you to secure a sound future for us and our county.

OP: What are the most important problems facing county government in general?
AD: The most important problem facing us in county government is the current constraint on our budget. It will take serious thought as well as experience with budget maintenance to make the difficult decisions ahead.

County government cannot function in the red. We must strive to decrease any kind of duplication and increase cost effectiveness at all levels.

As a businesswoman, I believe in sound financial planning. As the tenth child of a family of twelve, and as the head of my household I have learned to operate on a limited budget. This is one of my areas of expertise.

OP: What are the most important problems facing District 3?
AD: The primary problem facing the 3rd Supervisorial District is the impact of unemployment that is the result of major industries leaving our county. The departure of industry is decreasing our tax base and further limiting our ability to provide basic services to our citizens as well as maintain the infrastructure.

A planned community is important for our future. The coordination of commercial, industrial, housing and employment development is crucial if our citizens are to develop and maintain self-sufficiency. From that individual self-sufficiency will come economic independence for the county.

Another critical issue is the involvement of the community in the governmental process. Citizens must be guaranteed access to the decision-making and policy development arenas in order to insure that their needs are listened to.

OP: How long have you lived in the district, and what community organizations have you been involved with?
AD: I have lived in the district for 23 years and in the county over 40 years. My husband of thirty years, Edward Duarte, and I raised our four children here.

My involvement with community organizations includes but is not limited to the Health Systems Agency, Human Development Foundation, Advisory Board of the Eastside High School District, and Consumer Affairs Committee at a local hospital.

I have been active in the Little League, Parent Teacher Association, Affirmative Action Council of Santa Clara County, Heart Association as a Precinct Chair, and Community Service Organization. Also the Arthritis Foundation, MALDEF (Mexican-American Legal Defense & Education Fund), and the Chicana Coalition

OP: When Dan McCorquodale was county supervisor, he appointed the first openly gay public official to the county Human Relations Commission. If elected, would you appoint qualified gay men and lesbian women to county commissions?
AD: I don't anticipate having any difficulty working with openly gay people or in appointing them to commissions or boards. All things being equal, it is the individual's commitment, knowledge and desire to participate in county government that is important.

I believe that everyone's input is essential if we are to be in a position to reach a consensus on critical issues and therefore be able to develop a more balanced society. I will not exclude anyone from participating in our government.

OP: When Dan McCorquodale was county supervisor, he voted for the adoption fo a county ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation and also endorsed a similar Gay Rights ordinance in Palo Alto. Had you been supervisor then, would you have done likewise?
AD: Yes.
OP: If elected, would you vote for the issuance of a ceremonial resolution recognizing Gay Pride Day.
AD: Yes.
OP: Do you have any openly gay people working in your campaign? Who are they?
AD: Yes, several active members of the Santa Clara County gay and lesbian community are supporting me and are working in my campaign.

One is Eladio Guerrero, also known as "Lucky." He has been my friend for over 15 years.

My present staff is made up of individuals from many groups from throughout the county. I have, in addition, received encouragement and help from all segments of our society: youth, seniors, the handicapped, gays and lesbians, as well as Asian Americans, Black Americans, Anglo Americans, Hispanics and others.

OP: Is there anything you wish we would have asked and didn't?
AD: A question asked by most groups is, "What is the difference between you and your opponent?"

I am a longtime resident of this district and have been a taxpayer, property owner and businesswoman here. I have worked and struggled with the issues and problems confronting my neighbors and friends for over 23 years.

My opponent is a newcomer. His involvement in community affairs in this region, until his appointment to the Board of Supervisors, was limited to Cupertino.

I intend to be a full-time supervisor because I feel representing this district is a big job that requires total commitment.

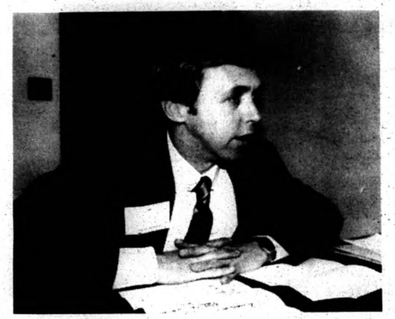
My opponent states that it is not necessary to work full-time as a supervisor. He apparently intends to continue to be employed by private industry if he is elected; representing citizens in our district will be a part-time endeavor.

I will have no conflict of interest when it comes to issues involving toxic chemicals or projects requiring cement.

My opponent has had to abstain when confronted with decisions involving these two substances because of a clear conflict of interest.

At a time when our environment and the protection of our precious natural resources require constant vigilance and careful planning, the person who represents us cannot afford to abstain for this or any other reason.

I am free to work with all groups to protect our community from further pollution and the possibility of irreversible damage to our environment.◄



Tom Legan

Our Paper: Tom, how old are you, are you from this area, tell us a little bit about yourself.
Tom Legan: I'm 40 years old, I was born in San Francisco and migrated down the peninsula.

I moved into Cambrian Park in 1953 when it was only about 40 homes out in the middle of nowhere. I went through the Campbell grammar and high school system through my sophomore year, then in '58 finished up at Castro Valley High.

I went to West Point, graduated in '64, spent 6 years commission in the service, then got out in '70 with the intent of living here in the Santa Clara Valley and bought a house in Cambrian Park with a GI loan.

I came west with a wife, two children, and a mortgage on the house, and no job. I bumped around, got a job with Kaiser Cement Corporation and progressed through a series of promotions. They always gave me more money and told me I was doing good. I moved up and down the West coast.

Most recently, in 1978, I moved back into the Santa Clara Valley and became manager of rock products at the Permanente plant out in Cupertino.

My most recent involvement has been to become appointed as the county Supervisor, 3rd District, when Dan McCorquodale was elected to the State Senate, so I'm getting my feet on the ground and attempting to become effective in that.

OP: Are you married?
TL: No, I'm divorced, I went through a divorce last year. I do have three children. I have a son who's almost 17, a daughter 13 and a daughter 9. They all currently live with their mother. My son has lived with me off and on, we visit frequently and have a very good relationship.

We're looking forward to the new home I'm buying and settling in the close proximity of some of their old friends, since their mother has moved away from this area.

OP: What are your qualifications, and why do you want to be Supervisor?
TL: I think that I have a strong educational and business background which I think gives me some qualities which will stand me in good stead in dealing with some of the county problems we have now.

I'm a person who's willing to listen, who has a good record with respect to communicating and I think that's the single most important quality that a person in public life has to have. To communicate, to listen to the people, and then after listening, to act effectively. I think I combine both of those qualities.

OP: What are the most important problems facing county government in general?
TL: The largest single problem in county government is employment, jobs. We need to be doing everything we can to encourage the businesses that are currently here to prosper and to

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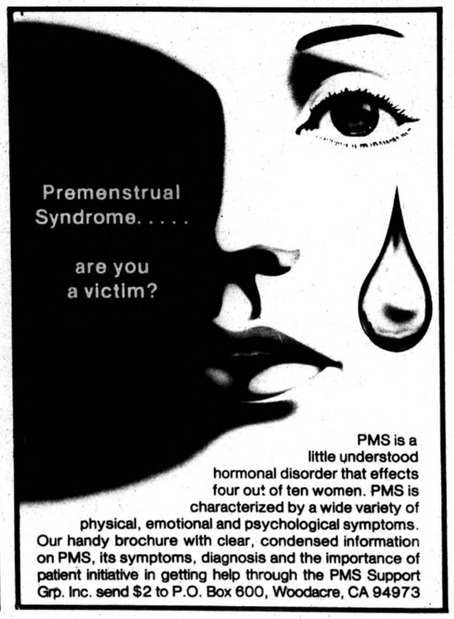

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expand here and develop new facilities.

And then we have to work very hard to attract new business, desirable businesses here into our town, and that is something I feel I can be very effective addressing.

The next most important problem is transportation, making it able for people to get to and from their place of work. There are impediments to that. It's a very important countywide problem.

The third most important issue is that of housing, the need to provide additional affordable housing which addresses the needs of all segments of our society here in the Santa Clara Valley.

The fourth most important problem is the entire criminal justice system. This is one of the major responsibilities of county government. We need to address the court system, the county sheriff, the direct patrol services in the unincorporated areas, the investigative services, good law enforcement, and the detention facilities.

All of these need attention. So those are what I consider the four major problems facing Santa Clara County today.

OP: What are the most important problems facing District 3?
TL: Generally, they're the same. Specifically, I would say first with respect to jobs.

With the layoffs at both Ford and Atari recently within the 3rd District, it's important that we do everything possible to replace those jobs and put our ear to the ground to find the things that are necessary to make certain that other companies don't leave this area. I'm going to be working very hard on that.

I think the single most important transportation problem in the 3rd District is Highway 237, and the upgrading of that to a full freeway status with the completion of the four grade separations, the overpasses.

Don's involvement in my campaign is a linkage because Don's father Vern [Cristina, former Director of Highways] and I have been friends for a number of years and he is helping me establish contacts in Sacramento within the new administration.

Fortunately, the change in administrations went from one which did not want to build any more transportation facilities, by and large, to one that is now conducive to it.

I'm also on the state board of the Association of General Contractors in the Heavy Highway Division and have access to the lobbyist there from the AGC and also access to the lobbyist from the Santa Clara County Manufacturing Group, D.J. Smith.

In addition to 237, I have in my campaign statement, which will be published in the voter pamphlet, the fact that I'm going to look to see that the extension of light rail to the BART station in Warm Springs is considered and implemented. But that of course is a longer term project. The 237 thing is more immediate and more doable.

The next thing is flood protection and housing in Alviso. If we're going to put the money into the levee to protect that, then we're going to able to go in there and create some additional housing, and that might be a great opportunity for some low-cost housing.

Or, do you realize we haven't created any new mobile home parks in Santa Clara County for 10 years? In fact, my step-dad lives in Plaza del Rey over in Sunnyvale and he's helped me make a tremendous network with the mobile home owners throughout that area. But that is a tremendous source of housing that we're not currently considering. Maybe it's something the county can uniquely look into as we go through our general plan review process.

And finally, the total criminal justice network, of which Elmwood is a part, and so that's the jail function in my district. So, those are the things in the 3rd District that I think generally parallel the countywide problems.

OP: How long have you lived in the district, and what community organizations have you been involved in?
TL: I have lived in the district since 1978. I've been quite active in the Chamber of Commerce, being president of one Chamber of Commerce and a member of another.

I've been active in Rotary, a member of the Cupertino Historical Society, and worked with the California History Center. I've been involved in the Youth Science Institute, YMCA, Campfire, United Way, March of Dimes, Little League, Eagle Scouts, Police Athletic League, and a number of charitable activities — most often in a board capacity or fundraising.

I've been uniquely able to do a lot of fundraising, both a charitable contribution and a political activism point of view, doing fundraising for both.

I've been active in the Santa Clara County Coalition of Labor and Business, which is a combination of labor and management-type organizations. I do have construction labor, I think a tremendous amount of labor support, and as the endorsements come out, I think you'll see that.

I think I'm unique in that regard because I am very familiar with the concept of union labor in probably the most highly unionized industry in the county, and that is the construction industry, so I feel comfortable with that and as such, I can be effective.

OP: When Dan McCorquodale was county supervisor, he appointed the first openly gay public official to the county Human Relations Commission. If elected, would you appoint qualified gay men and lesbian women to county commissions?
TL: Yes, if they were otherwise qualified.

OP: When Dan McCorquodale was county supervisor, he voted for the adoption of a county ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation and also endorsed a similar Gay Rights ordinance in Palo Alto. Had you been supervisor then, would you have done likewise?
TL: Absolutely, I'm against discrimination in any form.
OP: If elected, would you vote for the issuance of a ceremonial resolution recognizing Gay Pride Day?
TL: I have voted for a number of resolutions, I don't see any reason to oppose this particular one. I'm not familiar with the ramifications of it, so I would obviously like to see what it means. Gay Pride Day is not something I'm familiar with, so I would have to get some more information.
OP: Do you have any openly gay people working in your campaign? Who are they?
TL: I do. I have one person, specifically I have Don Christina who's here with me. In amplification, I would say the criterion of sexual preference is not one of the criteria upon which I made staff selection. I selected Don, I think, for all the right reasons, and the other considerations were not a positive or negative factor.
OP: Is there anything you wish we would have asked and didn't?
TL: Not really. It was nice to be here with you.◄

San Jose Gay Pride Day

Two star entertainers, both of whom have recorded hit singles which have made the charts are scheduled to perform at the Gay Pride Celebration in San Jose on June 19.

Sharon Reed, well known for "In The Name of Love," "Love Insurance," and "Can You Handle It" has tentatively confirmed her appearance, according to Jon Snell, owner of Desperados and coordinator of entertainment for the event.

Claudja Barry, famous for her hit singles "Boogie-Woogie Dancing Shoes," "Sweet Dynamite," "I Will Follow Him" and "Work Me Over" is also scheduled to appear, according to Snell.

The Gay Pride Celebration will be in St. James Park in downtown San Jose starting at noon on Sunday, June 19, one week before the San Francisco Gay Parade. Admission to the concert and Gay Pride festivities is free.

The committee organizing the Gay Pride Celebration has raised approximately sixty percent of their proposed budget of $9,000.

In addition to $4,500 pledged in previous weeks, two local Gay business leaders have pledged their support. Dale Seawright, owner of Renegades, and Kevan Daniel, owner of Toyon and Kevan's, have each pledged contributions of $500 or more.

Entertainment expenses are projected to amount to eight-five percent of the proposed budget. Other expenses include the cost of park site acquisition, security, restrooms and an extensive publicity campaign.

Contributions are badly needed to cover remaining expenses of the June 19 festivities. The event is expected to be the largest Gay event this area has ever had. More than 2,000 people are expected to attend.

Booths are available at the rally. The charge for information-only vendors is $25; $50 for any group or organization offering food or items for sale. For booth space, please send your reservation to: Gay Pride Celebration, P.O. Box 26255, San Jose, CA 95159.

To contribute your time or support, or for further information, please call Doug Winslow at (408) 294-2311. ■

Interferon used for AIDS

Boston, Ma. *(IGNA)* A skin cancer common among patients with AIDS sometimes can be treated effectively with a form of interferon, a new study indicates.

The cancer, Kaposi's Sarcoma, afflicts about one-third of all victims of AIDS.

Doctors at Memorial Sloan – Kettering Cancer Center in New York gave genetically engineered interferon to 12 homosexual men with KS. The disease completely disappeared in three and partly in two. Three patients showed minor, temporary responses.

The researchers cautioned, however, that the treatment seems to have little significant effect on the AIDS itself. Without an effective immune system, AIDS patients remain easy prey to other opportunistic infections.

Dr. Susan Krown, describing the study in the current issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, wrote: "Although interferon treatment does appear to restore some aspects of immunity in some patients with Kaposi's Sarcoma, we do not have evidence in this study that interferon consistently or permanently reverses the underlying immunologic defects that characterize AIDS."

Interferon is a disease-fighting material produced naturally throughout the human body. Recovering large amounts of natural interferon from the blood is a slow and difficult process, so scientists have used genetic engineering techniques to insert human interferon genes into bacteria to manufacture the substance.

The experimental technique has also been used with AIDS patients at San Francisco General Hospital. The doses vary from 50 million units to 1.9 million units. those receiving high doses have experienced fever and chills for a time following the injection or intravenous treatment.

The latest study tested a bacteria – made form of the chemical called recombinant leukocyte A interferon.

The long term effects of the interferon treatment are still undertermined, and a cure for AIDS itself remains a mystery as of now■

Adult Bookstores Win Court Order

San Francisco *(IGNA)* A federal judge on May 4 ordered the San Francisco police to stop requiring operators of adult bookstores or theatres to obtain a police permit to operate. Many shops featuring both homosexual and heterosexual books and paraphernalia thus no longer are subject to police control. However, a separate police department directive authorizes entry by police officers both in uniform and in plain clothes if "criminal activity" or juveniles are suspected on the premises.

U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel issued a temporary restraining order against the police permit procedure, saying the regulations may violate due process and equal protection sections of the U.S. Constitution.

Henry Mason, operator of the Palace Theatre in the City's Tenderloin District, filed suit to challenge the regulation shortly after the police closed him down on April 12 for operating without a license.

Mason said he planned to reopen his shop immediately.

Attorney Michael Mull of

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DONOR CUSTODY RIGHTS

Dear Editor:

As a Family Law attorney who adivises lesbian women, I would like to congratulate you for running an article on lesbian mothers. I think it's important for women to realize that they do have alternatives.

I am concerned about a legal issue that was not explored in your column, that is the right of the sperm donor to custody/visitation/child support with respect to the child who is born as a result of the insemination.

The only way that a lesbian woman can insulate herself and her child from such claims is to make sure that the sperm is through an *anonymous* donor.

If the donor is known to the woman and has knowledge of the existence of the child, he can make claims as could any other natural parent of a child.

Under the California Civil Code, only the donor of semen provided to a licensed physician for use in artificial insemination of a woman is treated under the law as if he were not the natural father of a child thereby conceived.

LYNNE YATES-CARTER
Attorney at Law
Certified Family Specialist

AIDS BILL

As you may already know, I have introduced Senate Bill 910 in the State Legislature which:

(1) will create an Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome research and workshop grants section in the State Department of Health Services to provide for AIDS research, education, and workshop grants;

(2) will create a Scientific Review Committee to advise the Department on the distribution of state funds for such grants; and

(3) will appropriate $500,000 to begin funding the Scientific Review Committee and grants.

Senate Bill 910 is an urgency bill which will become effective immediately upon approval by the Legislature and signature by the Governor.

I need your help, since the bill is currently awaiting a vote in the Senate Finance Committee, where it may be considered as early as Monday, May 23, 1983.

If you support SB 910, please contact the members of that committee as soon as possible and express your support for the bill.

With your help, SB 910 can become effective — with a significant appropriation — within the next few months and the State of California can begin to address the AIDS issue in a meaningful way.

In particular, the state can begin very soon to engage in a coordinated effort to provide local preventive workshops and educational activities.

Thank you for your help.

DAVID ROBERTI
State Senator, 23rd District
President Pro Tempore
Sacramento

[Editor's Note: State Senator Al Alquist of San Jose is chair of the Senate Finance Committee. His district office phone number is (408) 286-8318.

Senator John Foran, who represents San Mateo County, is also a member and can be reached at (415) 755-1766.

Senator Nicholas Petris of Alameda County can be reached at (415) 464-1333.

The other members of the committee are Senators Robert Beverly, Daniel Boatwright, William Campbell, Ralph Dills, John Garamendi, Bill Greene, Ken Maddy, Milton Marks, Robert Presley, Alan Robbins, John Seymour, and Walter Stiern.

Letters can be addressed to them at the State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814.

State Senator Dan McCorquodale of San Jose is a co-author of SB 910.]

A NEW BEGINNING

As all who know me and those who have heard of me know, I personally have been (and continue) boycotting TD's. I have refused to advertise in publications that carry advertising for TD's, as well as prohibiting their distribution in The Watergarden. This has been an uphill and frustrating battle within our own community; but I maintain that it is the correct and moral position to take.

I am of the opinion that the actions of the owner of TD's during the crisis time of Measures A&B was at least a serious error of judgment and at worst, a blatant disregard for the basic human rights of the patrons whom he serves. That he did not support the 10 for 10 program is sad, but that he deceived so many with his claims of support is without pardon.

I am also of the opinion that it is time for a new beginning; and in the spirit of a new beginning, with the hopes of a future filled with human rights as well as prosperity, I will begin to advertise in those publications that carry advertising for TD's and will also allow those publications to be distributed in The Watergarden.

It is my hope that the owner of TD's will feel the spirit of a new beginning and make one of his own with some show of support to the community that makes his living for him; if and when that time comes, I will re-assess my personal boycott of that establishment.

SAL ACCARDI
President & General Manager
The Watergarden, Inc.

GAY VOLLEYBALL MEET

We have happy news to report to you! Our volleyball team, the San Jose Volleyball Club, has been invited to participate in the North American Gay Volleyball Association Tournament.

We will be joining 30 teams from the United States, Canada and Mexico. The tournament will be hosted by the Balboa Volleyball Association in San Diego on May 27-30, 1983.

As members of the San Jose Community Gay Volleyball League, we consider this invitation a great honor and a superb opportunity to represent the Bay Area. The SJCGVL has been grateful to be supported by individuals and businesses in our Gay community.

Currently, as well as continuing to polish our skills on the volleyball court, we are involved in fundraising activities to raise $1,700 for travel, lodging and uniform expenses.

The members of the San Jose Volleyball Club are very excited about this event, and we are hopeful you will be able to assist us in reaching our financial goal so we may attend. All donations are tax-deductible.

Your support is very much appreciated. Please make checks payable to: San Jose Volleyball Club, and mail to: 1311 Mardene Court, San Jose, CA 95121.

We would like to thank you in advance for your interest and support. If you would like additional details, please call (408) 629-5165, evenings.

SAM H. ZENDNER
Team Manager

Dear Friends,

Sunday, May 15, so many of you came out to A Culinary Experience restaurant to help me celebrate my birthday. I had a *wonderful* time and thank you all for making this birthday such a memorable one for me.

Special thanks go to Jack, Chuck and Terry of the Old San Jose Baking Co., who supplied a sinfully delicious chocolate birthday cake; and to Mark Dalton, owner/operator and staff of A Culinary Experience.

Mark, your gracious hospitality and beautifully decorated restaurant are chiefly responsible for making "A Pink & Blue Birthday Party" an affair I will always warmly remember.

Sincerely,

SUSAN LEVITZ

P.S. The Brunch was great, too!

SUPPORT OUR SUPPORTERS

The following letter appeared in the Hayward Daily Review on April 24, 1983:

Klehs' vote rapped

Editor: Our new assemblyman in the 14th District, Johan Klehs, has shown the basest contempt for his constituents. As a member of the Ways and Means Committee, he joined the other liberal Democrats and voted that homosexuals cannot be discriminated against in employment.

That means they can teach in public schools and work in recreation centers and in other employment involving minors. Churches and religious organizations will be intimidated if this becomes law.

Public schools will be hurt the most. Parents from all over the state will remove their children from schools. More private schools and home schools will be opened. More financial misery will be added to the school budgets.

Thousands of citizens in various California cities and counties have fought successful battles to have homosexual ordinances canceled. These citizens will be betrayed, too.

Is this typical of the kind of legislation Klehs is going to force on his constitutents? Such representation as this will go far in negating morality and decency.

Please, citizens, write to your representatives in Sacramento and ask them to vote "no" on AB 1. Do it today, or it may be too late.

Myrtle Nelander
Hayward

It is important for the advance of lesbian and gay rights, and indeed for all human rights, that attacks such as the above not go unanswered. The East Bay Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club urges that people who live in the 14th Assembly District (Hayward, San Leandro, Castro Valley) write two letters:

One, to Assemblymember Johan Klehs thanking him for his support of AB-1 and urging his continued support;

And the second to The Daily Review concerning their printing of this homophobic attack, and urging support of both AB-1 and Johan Klehs.

Because of the regionalism in this area, we suggest that only those persons who reside within the 14th A.D. write to The Daily Review.

Letters should be sent to the following addresses:

The Daily Review
116 W. Winton
Hayward, CA 94540

Assemblyman Johan Klehs
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814
or
2450 Washington Ave. STE 260
San Leandro, CA 94577

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ORANGE JUICE

"Coming Out Bald"

By Allen Young

I'm not bald yet. But I'm getting there.

I forget how bald I am on the back of my head, but then one of my co-workers makes a wisecrack, defending himself perhaps against his own premature gray and paunch, or I find myself in front of one of those three-sided mirrors where I'm suddenly made aware of a part of my head I rarely see. The hairless part.

It's been happening for years, actually, this balding--a very gradual process. My self-acceptance as a bald man (or a balding one) has come slow and hard; in some ways it reminds me of my coming out as a Gay man.

I can vividly remember a moment of truth about ten years ago when my friend Giles told me, gently, that I'd look a lot better if I stopped combing my hair so as to hide my baldness. We've all seen men do that; it's ridiculous, right?

Well, yes it is, partly because it doesn't work. But it's no more ridiculous than a closeted Gay man talking about his "girlfriend" because society has expectations.

This society has expectations about head hair: it's supposed to be there. Prejudice against bald men is a fact of life in America

Bald men are funny. Bald men are evil. Dozens of movies promote those stereotypes. Bald men are very rarely considered sexy.

True, some think baldness is a sign of masculinity or virility, but there is something vaguely fetishistic about that, sometimes, especially among people into sadomasochism. That appeal of baldness is fine if you're into it, but it's no consolation to me.

I think baldness is tolerated at best, the stuff of trolls at worst. Fortunately, we Gay men who are bald or balding do find men who appreciate us.

I'm not complaining about anyone's sexual preferences-- I have my own prejudices-- but I am "coming out bald" in this column to make a point that needs to be made.

My point is this: There is nothing wrong about being bald. It is a very natural state of affairs for a considerable number of men, and this baldness can start at a young age, though it is noticeable more as middle age approaches.

There seems to me some racial element in this, too, for baldness is quite common among some peoples, especially Mediterraneans. I suspect that Anglo-Saxon dominance in North American culture, especially in beauty standards, has reared its ugly head in this anti-bald prejudice.

There are numerous "remedies" for baldness-- there have been for years--but medical researchers have repeatedly warned the public that none of them work.

Well, perhaps some people have been helped by such treatments; who am I to say, since I've never tried any? But if they really worked, would such pushy advertisements be necessary?

These remedies are pitched to men who are desperate, and I do my best to avoid joining the ranks of the desperate.

Is baldness a Gay issue? Yes and no.

Straight men concerned with their appearance are as likely to be concerned about their baldness. But the fact remains, as George Whitmore pointed out in his enjoyable Gay novel, *The Confessions of Danny Slocum,* commenting on a visit to a straight bar frequented by aging hippies, we Gays tend as a group to be more concerned with our appearance, and more likely to avoid paunch and other middle-aged maladies.

In our society, baldness is perceived as such a "malady", and that is why, I believe, that the hair-growing emporia advertise in Gay publications.

Where there's a buck to be made and the product is slightly disreputable anyway (undeniably true for baldness treatments), our Gay money looks good. These people know who their customers are, and they want more.

I suppose there is some chance that a hair transplant--a painful surgical process--might actually work. But the expense is outrageous. And as for hairpieces

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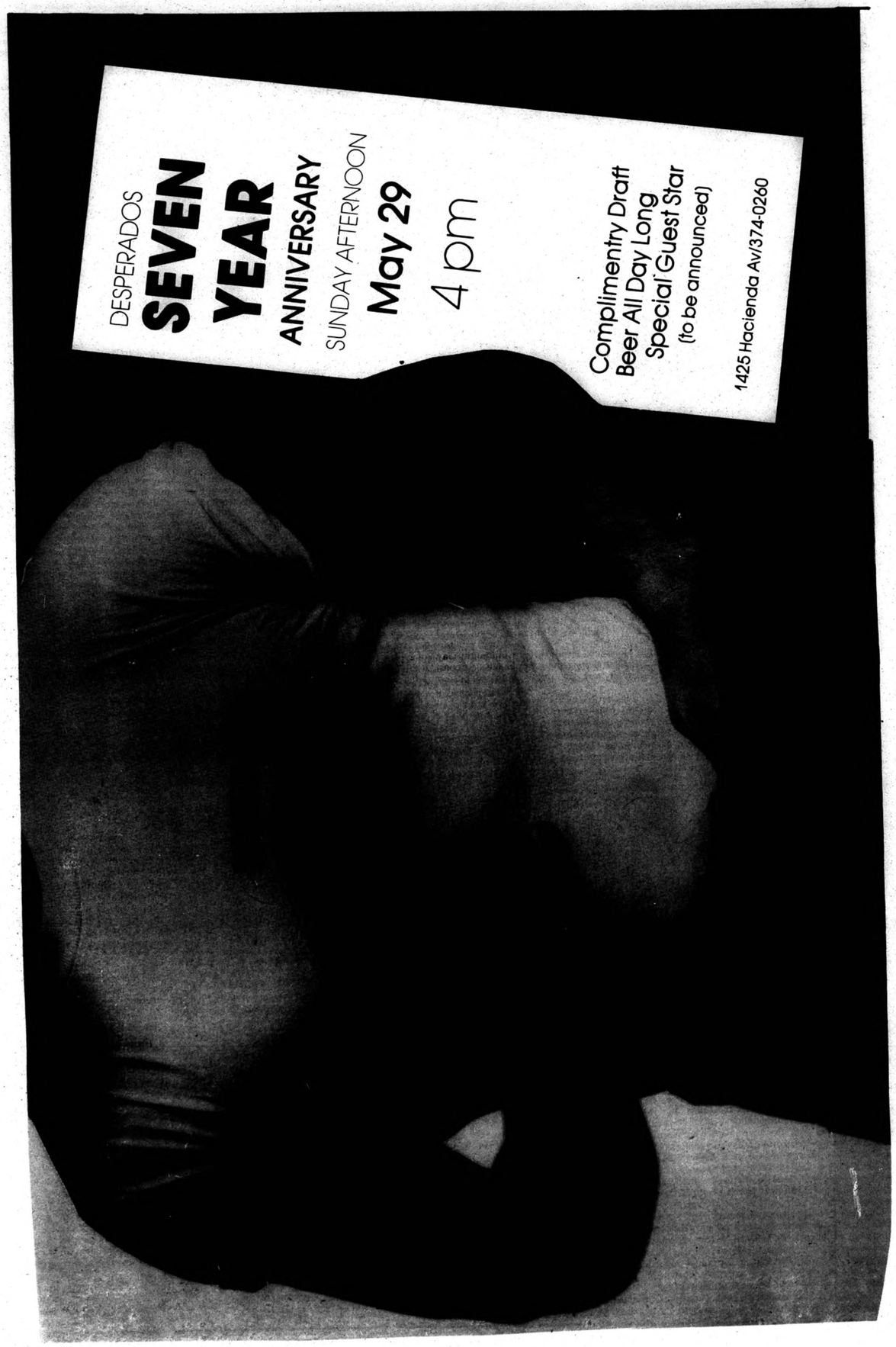
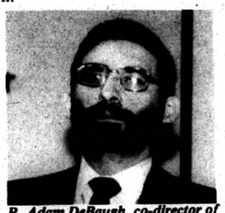


Politics is fun . . .

. . . and rewarding, exciting, exhausting, frustrating and worth every minute/dollar you put into it.



R. Adam DeBaugh, co-director of the UFMCC Department of Ecumenical Relations, stopped by to deliver a sermon in San Jose after attending NCC deliberations in SF.

Just a few years back our own local **Metropolitan Community Church (MCC)** was admitted to the local Council of Churches . . . there were problems, some "holier than thou" local churches withdrew from the Council and still today there is not love, peace and harmony . . . but MCC remains.

Presently, the **National Council of Churches (NCC)** is deliberating on the admittance of the United Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches to their Council.

Some interesting issues surround these deliberations:

The National Council of Churches long ago adopted a resolution against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and yet prejudice against the MCC congregations' sexual lifestyle has entered into the question of admitting MCC to their organization.

The NCC has certain guidelines for membership: The church applying must be Trinitarian, MCC is. The church applying must have at least 20,000 members, MCC does. But apparently meeting the guidelines is not enough if the church is ministering to gay people . . . and the play goes on.

Rev. Bob Copestake of MCC-San Jose, Adam DeBaugh of UFMCC, and Jack Sirica, reporter for the San Jose Mercury News, obligingly posed for a picture for Our Paper following press conference after church services. No guilt by association, please! Photo by Ms. Atlas

Last Wednesday, **Cleve Jones** from **Assemblyman Art Agnos'** office came down to San Jose to give an update on AB-1 (the bill that would add non-discrimination based on sexual orientation to the existing labor codes).

The bill seems to be doing very well and there is hope of passage this fall. However, a lot of work remains to be done, your representatives need to hear from you about the bill.

Legislators will not vote yes or no on a particular bill (especially a controversial one) without substantial constituent urgings. Your phone calls, postcards and letters can make a difference, as well as letters to the editors of your local papers. Get your friends together, share a bottle of wine and some music and write letters to your legislators — and please, send copies to Art Agnos's office (Rm 1064, State Building, San Francisco, CA 94102).

In the last Politics Is Fun column, I reported to you the ugly tactics being used by **Assemblyman Allster McAlister** and his supporters to try to unseat the liberals elected to the leadership in the 18th Assembly District committee.

Well, folks, McAlister got beat, and beat soundly, I might add. Union City **Councilwoman Delaine Eastin** (chairwoman of the 18th AD) spearheaded the organizing of Democrats in the 18th and defeated McAlister better than 3-to-1 (413 to 116).

Delaine Eastin, 18th AD chair, drummed up support at SCCDCC meeting last month.

Maybe here is someone who could finally unseat McAlister from the Assembly. I know I would sure support her. McAlister has never given the time of day to gay constituents in the 18th AD (or anywhere else).

As most of you know, there is a special election on June 7th to fill the vacancy left by now **State Senator Dan McCorquodale.** Republican **Tom Legan,** who was appointed to fill the vacancy temporarily until the special election, and Democrat **Anita Duarte,** long time local activist, are on the ballot.

The race looks pretty even to me. This is a first run for Legan, and while conservatives do tend to turn out more for special elections, the district *is* almost two-thirds Democratic. Tom certainly has lots of money, but then Anita has lots of people.

Dan McCorquodale, who represented the district for 10 years, was never a big-money candidate. He just walked precincts and talked to the voters, and that is what Anita seems to be doing.

A recent Mercury News story by **Sidney Hill** was headlined "Legan favored in District 3" . . . I read the article and couldn't figure out favored **by whom?** except maybe the reporter.

Hill reported that Duarte's "only endorsement of note" came from Senator McCorquodale. Here, the Mercury departs from factual reporting and inserts its own evaluation of Duarte's endorsers.

Duarte has been endorsed by two out of three other candidates — **Ben Barrientos** and **Charles S. Moore** — who had taken out papers but came short of the 3,096 signatures required for ballot status.

She has support from a number of Democratic political leaders and activists, including **Peter Allen, Mal & Jo Jafferies, Bob & Anne Mack, Roy Christman, Ray Hennemann, Peter Szego, Lee Sturtevant, Ken Yeager, Jesus Ruiz, Dan Hoffman, Muriel Brounstein,** and many more.

Two Democratic Clubs have endorsed her candidacy, as well as the Cannery Workers and Amalgamated Transit Union and a number of Filipino-American organizations in her district.

The impression left by a *cursory* reading of the Mercury's report is that Duarte has only *one* endorsement. What we learn from a *careful* reading is simply that the Mercury does not consider the other endorsing individuals and organizations worthy of note.

Well, we all know the Mercury has a problem remembering that editorials should be labelled as such and reporters should report the news, not editorialize. (Right, Donald?)

Speaking of the Mercury News, not all is bad about them . . . annually some of their staff help produce the **Gridiron Show,** a satirical musical review produced by the Camino Real Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, a society of professional journalists. This year's show will have one of our own in it. He is a local activist, a business*man* and always an actor . . . guess who? Tickets are $20 and going fast.

Coming up on Wednesday the 25th of May will be a community meeting at MCC, 160 E. Virginia, 7:30 pm, to discuss AB-1 and AIDS. There will be a guest speaker from the KS AIDS Foundation in San Francisco, who will also answer questions. Both of these are important topics, ones that we as a community should be informed on and involved in. Be sure to set aside that evening to come to the meeting. It's your life and your rights, learn how you can have more control.

Are you ready? June 19th, St. James Park will be overflowing with Gay Pride celebrants . . . entertainment will be by **Sharon Redd** (*In The Name of Love, Love Insurance and You Can Handle It*) and **Claudja Barry** (*Boogie-Woogie Dancing Shoes, Sweet Dynamite, I will Follow Him* and *Work Me Over*). The celebration is scheduled to start at noon and the concert and festivities are FREE.

The Gay Pride Committee will have 25,000 programs out and about the Bay Area as well as the Sacramento, Modesto and Santa Cruz areas for at least 3 weeks prior to the event. The coordinators anticipate a crowd of 2000 or better. If you want a booth, want to help or need more information, call Doug Winslow at (408) 294-2311.

With respect for our diversity,

Johnie Staggs

COMING OUT BALD

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or toupees, they seem like such indignities to me.

Dignity — that's a key word for me in this issue. In coming out bald, I'm asserting my dignity, chrome dome and all. ("Chrome Dome" was the nickname for a shop teacher in my high school.)

I'm all for freedom of choice, and if some wish to try their luck combatting their genes, I won't let my Gay money be used to undermine my personal sense of dignity.

Baldness, for the scientific-minded, is defined by biologists as a "sex-linked trait." Books tell me baldness is a gene transmitted from mother to son, manifesting itself only in males.

I never quite understood that one; the men in my mother's family all have full heads of hair, yet my father, *his* father, and several uncles on that side were bald.

I find it particularly bothersome that among liberal and progressive writers, a man's baldness is frequently used to accentuate evil. (Writers often use homosexuality in precisely this fashion.)

Judge Julius Hoffman of the "Chicago 7" Conspiracy Trial was constantly described as "bald." The Black Panthers' rhetoric snarled at "bald-headed businessman."

In the Whitmore novel I just mentioned, there is only one really nasty character--and he happens to be bald. Am I being paranoid? I think not.

Popular culture heroes such as Allen Ginsberg, Julian Beck, David Dellinger or Jean Genet, all bald or balding, miraculously escape mention of this "defect" when written about.

By the way, did you know that all bald people look alike, especially when they are Jews?

I've been told that on several occasions, and that I look like Allen Ginsberg, Andy Kopkind or Woody Allen, yet I think the resemblance is dubious.

I can anticipate some of the reactions to what I have said so far. Some people will insist, as my friend Bob did, that "bald is hot." (His lover is balding.) Well sure, I'm hot myself under the right circumstances.

Plenty of grandmothers swoon over Telly Savalas, and Yul Brynner is mentioned all too often as being sexy; but I still maintain that in our culture, baldness tends to be a negative feature in someone's appearance. This is a cultural fact, just as it's a cultural fact that this culture views homosexuality in a negative light most of the time.

Others — along with some bald or balding men — might insist that in the light of popular prejudice, the best thing a bald man can do is attempt to eradicate his baldness.

Whether by elaborate hair styling or combing, "treatments," toupees or transplants, such an approach is akin to the "nose job" so popular among assimilationist Jews or the skin lighteners still marketed in the Black community (despite "black is beautiful").

I think that a self-respecting Gay man who is bald has as much reason to come out bald as to come out Gay.

Bald may be hot, but it could get hotter. □

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Film Review

The Little Sparrow

She was born Edith Gassion in a tenement hallway in the Belleville slums of Paris. Her father was an alcoholic circus performer, her mother a drug addict.

She became a street urchin, roaming the dim-lit courtyards of Paris, singing for centimes.

At seventeen she gave birth to a daughter who later died of meningitis.

She was discovered by a night-club owner, Lucien Leplee, who named her Piaf ("the little sparrow"), took her under his wing and introduced her to a rapt audience.

Standing 4'10" tall, weighing less than 85 pounds, she performed in a simple black dress, her voice, hands, and eyes pleading for love. Her theme song was "Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien" ("I Regret Nothing") which also included the telling phrase, "Farewell to love with its tremolo, I begin again at zero."

Piaf, which is based on the biography by her half-sister, Simone Berteaut, traces her early years from the streets, cellars, and brothels of Pigalle through her startling rise to stardom.

The casting of Parisien Brigitte Ariel 19, who stands 4' 11" and weighs 83 pounds could not have been more perfect. She is as much Piaf as anyone could be.

The movie opens a few days before Christmas, 1915, with Piaf's birth on the cobblestone Rue de Belleville. It traces her aimless upbringing with her half-sister, "Momone," singing for alms in clip joints, strip clubs and on street corners . . . one night stands with soldiers . . . a too young marriage and too young motherhood.

(L to R) Piaf (Brigitte Ariel) and her half-sister, Simone (Pascale Christophe) work as a musical team to survive in the streets of Paris. "Piaf, The Early Years" is a Twentieth Century-Fox International Classics release, a Moritz/Weissman Company presentation of a Feuer & Martin Production, directed by Guy Casaril.

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Throughout the film, woven into the drama of Piaf's early years are fourteen of her most famous songs. All are Piaf singing, with Ariel expertly miming the words. The film ends in 1936 with her A.B.C. Concert Hall audition, a performance which would be a turning point in her career.

Today, twenty years after her death, Piaf's legend is stronger than ever. Her excesses and eccentricities expand with each retelling. Her albums continue to sell in the hundreds of thousands. She is still known by the sobriquets of her lifetime, "the queen of chanson," "agony's high priestess," and "the singing voice of France."

If you are a Piaf fan, this is a must film for you; if you are not, you will be when the film is over.

Unfortunately, its run at the Los Gatos Theater will be over by press time. But try to catch it next time around.

—Reviewed by Johnie Staggs

OUT-TAKES

By Richard Rogers

"Wrap Your Troubles in Dreams"

If the wilting economy, long-winter blahs, and a love affair on the rocks have you contemplating drastic measures, wait! You may find comfort that some of your favorite stars had their share of woes on screen (as well as off, but then, we won't go into that.) So, wrap up your troubles in the dream world of movies, and see if you can guess which actor/actress vented the following complaints.

Reward yourself with four points for each suffering star you named correctly, and give yourself two more points if you can identify the movie in which the quote appeared. That leaves you ten points which we're giving you as a headstart on surviving untilsummer vacation.

1. "Fasten your seat belts. It's going to be a bumpy night."
2. "I'm going to be a lady if it kills me!"
3. "I've had hangovers before, but this time my hair hurts.!"
4. "I once was so poor I didn't know where my next husband was coming from."
5. "Hey, don't knock masturbation. It's sex with someone I love."
6. "Mama, face it. I was the slut of all time."
7. "You don't understand. Every night when the moon is full I turn into a wolf."
8. "This is all I need here; drink and drugs and no friends. I had too many friends."
9. "My mother — a waitress!"
10. "I'm just a fat little man. A fat, ugly man...I'm ugly, I'm ug ly, I'm ugly!"
11. "I've had two years to grow claws, mother — jungle red!"
12. "Go, and never darken my towels again!"
13. "Everybody in this room hides behind plain brown wrap-wrap pers."
14. "I feel as though someone stepped on my tongue with muddy feet."
15. "What a dump!"

Answers:

1. Bette Davis in *All About Eve.*
2. Jean Harlow in *Dinner at Eight.*
3. Rock Hudson in *Pillow Talk.*
4. Mae West (to Louise Beavers) in *She Done Him Wrong.*
5. Woody Allen in *Annie Hall.*
6. Elizabeth Taylor (to Mil-dred Dunnock) in *Butterfield 8.*
7. Lon Chaney, Jr. in *Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein.*
8. Hurd Hatfield in *The Picture of Dorian Gray.*
9. Ann Blythe (of Joan Crawford) in *Mildred Pierce.*
10. Ernest Borgnine in *Marty.*
11. Norma Shearer in *The Women.*
12. Groucho Marx (to Louis Calhern) in *Duck Soup.*
13. Diane Varsi in *Peyton Place.*
14. W.C. Fields in *Never Give a Sucker an even break.*
15. Bette Davis in *Beyond the Forest.* ●

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OUR STORY

"Unmentionable Ecstasy"

By Patrick Franklin

Michelangelo Buonarroti was born on March 6, 1475, beginning a life that is one of the treasures of Western culture. But that life is also an illustration of the prejudices that deny Gay people their heritage and their history.

The Encyclopedia Brittanica never so much as mentions Michelangelo's personal life at all. Charleton Heston, who played the role of the artist in the movie version of "The Agony and the Ecstasy" and Irving Stone, who wrote the popular book on which it was based, both vehemently deny that Michelangelo was Gay. But that's no new attitude; when he died, his heirs tried to cover up his personality by inventing a non-existent love affair with a woman who had merely been his friend.

After more than four hundred years of shoving the creator of David back into the closet, little remains for the Gay historian to use for first-line proof. Society has a way of keeping Gay artists from declaring themselves during their lifetimes and then using the same fears to force the families of those men and women to destroy any vestiges of Gay expression. However, in Michelangelo's case, the best evidence is in the very art that was his priceless gift to us all.

There are a number of inferences that we can draw, simply from what we see. Michelangelo's great statements all concerned the human form, and he was the undeniable master of that expression. Yet from the very beginnings it was the male body he most concerned himself with. There are few, if any, female nudes by Michelangelo, and in most of those the musculature of the figures seems to be more masculine than feminine: they seem nearly to be boys with breasts.

Even in his earliest surviving work, the Madonna of the Stairs, sculpted when he was still in his teens, the Madonna is chastely draped, while the Christ child twists in a heroic, muscular form. Another teenage work, the Battle of the Centaurs and Lapiths, is a riot of twisting, writhing male bodies. In an age that revered the female nude, a few undraped males might be understandable; but this nearly total devotion to the male indicates far more than mere chance.

Then there is, of course, the David, perhaps the most perfectly idealized male figure in art history. There is no reason to rhapsodize on its perfection here, or to enumerate the complexities of its balance and proportion. What is of more importance is the model from which the David was drawn, traditionally a young Roman noble named Tommaso di Cavalieri.

No one can deny that there was some kind of close relationship between the two men; the historical evidence for it abounds. Many letters were exchanged between them, and Michelangelo, nearly ninety, died in di Cavalieri's arms. But there is internal evidence in the poems themselves which refute this idea. "From your fair face, I learn, O my loved lord," one begins, and numerous other references to a male recipient occur. Some less sensual and more religiously-themed poems very likely were written for la Colonna, but those are a minor portion of the total.

The most definite, and nearly explicit clues that support the idea that the poems were written for Tommaso are some of the word-play that goes on in them. One final line says in the original Italian: "Resto un prigion' d'un cavaliere armato," or, in English, "I remain the prisoner of a cavalier at arms." The play on "Cavalieri" is obvious, and somewhat more touching with our knowledge that Michelangelo remained that happy prisoner to the very end.

Few human beings remain completely celibate throughout a lifetime, and there is no evidence that Michelangelo ever shared an intimate relationship with a woman at any time. Whatever facts remain indicate nearly certainly that his inclinations, at the very least, were Gay ones.

If the life of one of the major figures in Western culture is this cloudy, what of less documented personalities? In Gay historical research, some of the very scholars who should be earnestly seeking out and publishing the truth are those who cover up or ignore what they consider to be facts that are less than flattering. That leaves Gay historians to make a virtue of the weapons that society has long used against our community: rumors and innuendos, words that slip through and subtle sensibilities. □

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Film Review

Le Nuits de Varrenes

Reviewed by Daniel Curzon

Picture Marcello Mastroiani with white powder all over his once-handsome face, his jowls bouncing, his wig askew, his beauty mark a mess, and you will have a sample of the scenes in this excellent new movie.

You won't soon forget the story of Casanova, Marie Antoinette, Breton (a French writer), and Thomas Paine as they encounter each other on the journey when the French royal family tries to escape in disguise by stagecoach during the French Revolution.

No doubt it's a "what-if" kind of picture, but it's a wonderful supposition and the film is filled with vivid images of life at the end of the eighteenth century.

It's sort of a French *Stagecoach,* only John Wayne has been replaced by Casanova, and the antagonists are not Indians but angry revolutionaries (who look rather well-fed despite references to their exposure to famine).

If you liked *Tom Jones,* you should like this movie too.

Mastroiani steals the picture, playing the 66-year-old Casanova at the end of his days, still sexy, still gracious enough to kiss the lips of the effeminate hairdresser of the incognito Marie Antoinette, who later on tells Casanova that he was her very first lover at the age of 15, all the while he's stealing and breaking the heart of yet another female passenger on the journey.

A good part of the film takes place in and around the stagecoach, with various members of world society present, from the very rich to a black servantwoman.

Harvey Keitel plays the American patriot Thomas Paine, who is in France helping foment revolution. He and Marie Antoinette have a round over the divine right of kings that isn't at all as unbelievable as it sounds.

The film gets a bit too complicated for its own good three-quarters of the way through, at least for the non-French, with details about which military officer is going where, but it recovers and shows what is going to happen to the principals: Casanova, without the benefits of any pension, forced to go back to amuse a German Count, Marie Antoinette to the guillotine, Breton to write about it.

It's a lusty, funny, charming, and exciting movie, and you should see it if you can. ◄

One Nation Under God

By Nina Orton

The Civic Auditorium in San Jose was just shy of a full house on May 7 at the Holly Near concert with Ronnie Gilbert of The Weavers.

Near & Gilbert were assisted by long-time friend Jeff Langley on piano, also Lady Bass, and Susan Freundlich as sign language artist.

Being such astounding headliners, it would be difficult to get into individual histories now.

In a crowded auditorium of women and men of all walks of life, the entertainment provided the audience with joyful reminiscences of childhood innocence, repeated laughter and reflections on the crises of today's world, earning the performers two lengthy standing ovations.

The Spanish Civil War with Lewis Allans' "Tribute to Fallen Comrades" . . . WHO WILL REMEMBER . . . and all who know these two good arms, know I never had to run or kill . . . I can live by my own two hands and live well . . . WE WILL REMEMBER ALL THE STRONG HEARTS AND HANDS . . ."

Today, our battle continues . . . "No more genocide in my name . . . Nazism grows again . . . ignorance gives them a place, the Klan is teaching children to hate the human race, where once there was a playground . . . now an MX missile planned . . . they think it's funny to see how much we can stand, WE'VE GOT TO TELL THEM NO! . . . NO MORE GENOCIDE IN OUR NAME!"

In conclusion, Holly Near reminded the audience of the apathy and unwillingness to participate by many people today, and suggested that we "tell them that they're hanging out with the wrong people."

"There are bunches of US all over the world, if we can be vigilantes and not get burnt out. Keep looking for each other and keep your smiles together . . . We can turn this around . . . Hang on, don't give up the ship." ■

[Reviewer's note: I thank God, Paulette, Chris, Susan and RaeAnn for helping me pull out of my illness last week.]

June Millington Recording & Producing Workshops

By Nina Orton

June Millington has more than 15 years of experience in the music industry. She is a singer, songwriter, producer, recording artist, and plays the bass guitar.

From basic terminology to a live studio session, classes held last March and April included: Recording Techniques, How a Studio Works; Terminology, Zen and the Art of Producing, Recording Equipment and Outboardgear, Miking and "Getting A Sound," Live Recording Session and Mixing Session.

Talking after her appearance at the Great American Music Hall on March 27th, June said, "The first part which we have now completed was a series of three lectures and a field trip to the recording studio.

"The second part is four classes, all of which are lectures at the recording studio, and then watching how I cut a song. Actually that's a lot of work for me to continue, so I have plans to put it down in video form."

June Millington is now touring as a fund-raiser for her latest album "probably titled *Everything Passes,*" not yet released.

For further imformation regarding future workshops and/or about June Millington write to: Fabulous Records, 48 Shattuck Square, Suite 36, Berkeley, CA 94704. ◄

Free Summer Acting Workshop

The Hewlett Packard Corporation of Palo Alto has awarded a $10,000 grant to the San Jose Civic Light Opera to sponsor a free theatre workshop for young people of all ages.

The workshops will be held in conjunction with the Northside Theatre Company of San Jose at the Olinder Community Center, 848 East Williams Street, San Jose. Workshops are scheduled for June 27th to August 18th from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. There will be two special performances open to the public on August 19th and 20th.

Registration for the workshop will take place at 3:00 pm at Olinder Center on June 21,1983. For more information please call Northside Theatre Company at (408) 279-1139. ●

Casa Coronation Set

Casa de San Jose, Inc. is sponsoring a Candidates Show preparatory to their Emperor & Empress Coronation Ball, *A Little Bit Country, 1983.*

The 1983 candidates will be introduced on May 22 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Don Juan's/A Culinary Experience, 92 No. Market Street in downtown San Jose. There is a $3 donation at the door.

Voting for the new Emperor & Empress de Casa de San Jose will take place at the Coronation Ball planned for July 9 at the I.A.M. Hall in Sunnyvale. Tickets are $15 if purchased in advance.

Casa will also host an Awards Night on July 8 at Casa de Ave Maria in Santa Clara and a Victory Brunch on July 10 at A Culinary Experience in San Jose.

For information about the Coronation activities, contact

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Jedi *Premiere Slated*

Billy Dee Williams as Lando Cairissian

San Jose, Ca. The city of San Jose has been slated as one of twenty U.S. cities to host the premiere of George Lucas' third *Star Wars* epic – *The Return of the Jedi* starring Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, and Carrie Fisher in their original roles. The spectacular new movie will debut at Cinema 150 on Tuesday, May 24. Tickets are being sold for $100 each as a fund raising event for the San Jose Youth Commission's Youth Center Fund, according to spokesperson Betsy Bryant.

BASS outlets are handling tickets for the premiere as well as advance sales on the regular shows scheduled to begin Wednesday May 25. Watch for a review in the next issue of **Our Paper.**

Carrie Fisher as Princess Leia

Auditions for *La Boheme*

San Jose Opera Theater executive director Irene Dalis is inviting singers to audition for the fall production of Giacomo Puccini's *La Boheme.*

Auditions will be held on Monday, June 6 from 3-6 pm and from 7-10 pm, and on Wednesday, June 8 from 3-6 pm in the Concert Hall of the Music Building on the San Jose State University campus (near the intersection of 7th and San Carlos).

Singers who wish to audition may call the Assistant Music Director, Barbara Day Turner, at (408) 277-2028 to schedule an appointment.

Performances of *La Boheme* will be October 15, 16, 22 and 23 in the Montgomery Theatre, San Jose. ■

CASA BALL

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Empress XV Darlene at (408) 985-8458 or 446-1900. Or write to Casa de San Jose, P.O. Box 8287, San Jose, CA 95155.

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FORTUNES
By Tycho

ARIES *(March 21 - April 20)* As most Aries folk know, there's a difference between being direct and being diplomatic. Keep that in mind right now. You can guide others without stepping on their feelings, and get what you want without grabbing it away. *Charm* is an Aries gift, too.

TAURUS *(April 21- May 20)* Your creative energies are very high, especially on the weekends, you have time to concentrate. Makeing something lovely is your own reward for you, but your talents won't go unrecognized. What's pleasurable could become profitable.

GEMINI*(May 21- June 21)* Fireworks! Doing it up in a big way is your drive now. Fun's not enough; you want ecstasy! No meals; feasts! And, by midweek, you may get just what you want-- a union of the kind that blows you away. About 8.8 on the Richter Scale, I'd say.

CANCER *(June 22- July 22)* You're shining bright. There's a glow about you that attracts others spontaneously. In fact, though many are attracted, you're in the mood for a very special person that you can pour out your heart to What a lucky person that is!

LEO *(July 23- August 22)* Well, you've found someone who's as hot as you are. All that prowling around found you someone who knows your kind of action and gives it to you -- and then some.

NO, DON'T SAY ANYTHING. Your signals are coming through loud and clear.

VIRGO *(August 23- September 22)* Share it with someone you love: old advice with a strange twist. Ever tried a three-way? If you've been tempted, now's the time. It may turn your head -- and your lover's -- around. If not, you'll participate in something pretty far out together.

LIBRA *(September 23- October 22)* Someone that you care for very much is in need of your help, but doesn't know how to ask for it. You're seen as a pillar of strength in the middle of a lot of shaking. Try to find out where you're needed, and reach out and hold someone.

SCORPIO *(October 23-November 21)* You've got travelling on your mind, and your short jaunts haven't been enough. Sit down with your favorite person and plan that ideal long vacation. Even if it doesn't look possible at the moment, mapping it out may show you how you can get there.

SAGITTARIUS *(November 22-December 21)* You just can't seem to make up your mind. The question of committment hangs heavy in the air, and the ball is in your partner's court. Resign yourself to a period of waiting. Answers will come. **Be patient.**

CAPRICORN *(December 22-January 19)* Your thoughts are of your home this week but the problem that needs your attention there is easily solved. Your mental powers are high, and your lover, who's responding to things strictly emotionally, needs the kind of input you'll be good at giving.

AQUARIUS *(January 20 February 18)* Things are coming clear again. That retreat into selfishness just wasn't you. In fact, you'll be tempted to go to the other extreme, trying to do too much for others. Then, on a Monday or a Tuesday, somebody's going to *do something nice to you!*

PISCES *(February 19 - March 20)* An older woman is in the Pisces picture, one whose maturity and judgement you value. It could be your mother or a very good friend; the time, no matter how short, that you spend together will be good and valuable for both of you. □

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Wednesday, May 18, 25: Gay Toastmasters: Dedicated to improving speaking skills, recognized by Toastmasters International. 6 pm.

Wednesday, May 18, 25: Lesbian Rap: Discussion/support group for Lesbians of all ages. 7:00 pm.

Thursday, May 19, 26: Men's Support Group: An informal support and social group. 7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 20, 27: Womyn's Coffee House: 8 pm.

Saturday, May 21, 28: Social Hour: 7:pm.

Sunday, May 22: Gay Disabled: Social/support group for Gay disabled. Interpreter for hearing impaired. 3 pm

Sunday, May 22, 29: Alcoholics Anonymous: 10:30 am

Sunday, May 22, 29: Lesbian/Gay Young Adults: 1:00 pm

Monday, May 23: Center Board Meeting: 7:pm

Tuesday, May 24, 31: V.D./Blood Pressure Screening: 6-9 pm.

Tuesday, May 24, 31: Slightly Older Lesbians: Support group for Lesbians over 30. 7 pm.

Monday, May 30: Black and White Men Together: 7:00 p.m.

For further information regarding the above and other events call the Center.

Gay & Feminist Radio/TV

Wednesday, May 18,25: *Breaking Glass:* Featuring women artists. 9-noon. KZSC 88.1 FM.

Thursday, May 19,26: *Women's Waves:* Women's music, interviews and live broadcasts. 4-5:45 pm, KUSP, 89 FM

Sunday, May 22,29: *The Gay Life,* AIDS coverage con't. (5/22) Job Bias in Gay Bars. (5/29). 6 am, KSAN, 95 FM.

Sunday, May 22,29: *Eggs Marmalade:* Sunday brunch with the Women's Radio Collective. 10 am - 1 pm, KZSC, 88.1 FM.

Monday, May 23,30: *Closet Free Radio:* 7:30-9:30 pm, KZSC, 88.1 FM.

Thursday, May 26: *KPFA Majority Report:* Dr. Wang Bi-Yun talks about her experiences of China. Music by her daughter, Wei Li. 8 pm, KPFA, 94.1 FM.

Saturday, May 28: *KPFA Women's Magazine:* Denise Levetov, poet/activist, noon; May Sarton taped at College of Marin, 12:45; Women of Color, 1:30 pm. KPFA, 94.1 FM.

Wednesday, June 1: *Fruit Punch: Gay Men's Radio:* Witch & psychic Z. Budapest. Also "Lavendar News," Gay entertainment. 10-11 pm. KPFA, 94.1 FM.

De Anza Gay and Lesbian Alliance

DeAnza College, Meetings held in the Student Council Chambers, 7:30 pm. (408)246-5694.

May 22: Beach Trip: Call for instructions/specifics.

May 24: Potluck/Pool Party Meeting: Call for instructions or directions on door of the Student Union.

May 31: Meeting, Rap Session: Parents & Friends of Gays.

Theatre

May 18-21: Theater Rhino: *King of the Crystal Palace.* Thur-Sun., 8:30 pm. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2940 16t St., San Francisco. (415)861-5079.

May 18-28: King Dodo Playhouse: Comedy repertory with 8:30 performances Fri & Sat ONLY. *Everybody Loves Opal,* 5/20,21,27. *Murder at Howard Johnson's,* 5/28.176 E. Fremont Ave, Sunnyvale. 266-6060.

May 18-31: California Young People's Theatre: *East of the Sun and West of the Moon,* 5/19-6/10. Regular schedule: 9:30 & 11 am, Mon. thru Fri. Sunnyvale Performing Arts Center, 550 Remington Av., Sunnyvale. Tickets: 245-CYPT. Info: 245-9731.

May 18-28: TheaterWest: *The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild,* 5/18-5/28. 8 pm Fri & Sat only, 2 pm 5/22. Old Town Theater, 50 University Ave., Los Gatos. 395-5434.

May 18-Jun 4: Studio Rhino: *Fortune and Men's Eyes.* 8:30 pm, Thurs-Sun. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2940 16th St, San Francisco. (415)861-5079.

May 27-29,31,Jun 1-4: Santa Clara University: *Wonderful Town.* Musical comedy. Music by Leonard Bernstein, lyrics by Comden & Green. 8 pm, except 7 pm 5/29. Louis B. Mayer Theatre, Franklin & Lafayette Sts, Santa Clara. Box Office: 984-4015.

May 28,Jun 3-25: Gaslighter Theater: *The Winds of Bad Stuff, or...Thar's Coal in Them Thar Hills.* Classic, old-time melodrama. 8:30 pm Fri & Sat ONLY. Discount on advance reservations. Box office hours: Noon-9 pm at 400 E. Campbell Ave, Campbell. 866-1408.

Music & Dance

May 19-22: Foothill College Theater: *Gypsy:* 8 pm. 5/19,21,22; and 2 pm. 5/20. Campus Theater, El Monte Rd., Los Altos. (415) 948-4444.

May 20: University of Santa Clara: University Concert Choir conducted by Stephen Rosolack. Mission Church, University of Santa Clara campus, Palm Drive, off The Alameda, Santa Clara. Info: 984-4023

May 27: California Youth Symphony: 2:30 pm. Flint Center, DeAnza College, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino. Tickets: 257-9555. Info: (415) 325-6666.

May 27,28: San Jose Symphony: George Cleve conducting, with Garrick Ohlsson, pianist, as guest artist. 8:30 pm. Center for Performing Arts, 255 Almaden Blvd. Tickets: 298-2300. Info: 287-7383.

May 28,29: Genuine Jazz: Exploring all forms of jazz dancing. 8 pm. 5/28, 2:30 pm. 5/29. Montgomery Theater, S. Market at San Carlos Sts., San Jose. Info: 246-0234.

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May 16-22: National Festival of Women's Theatre: Workshops and performances held in Santa Cruz. Performances include (but not limited to): *Stories Mother Never Told You.* With Cynthia Orr. Kuumbwa Jazz Center, 5/19, 5-7 pm. $8.50 (light dinner included); **Mothertongue Reader's Theatre,** *Did You Come or Fake It...Again.* Also **Malmution. Louden Nelson, 5/19, 8-10 pm. $5-7; Brown Bag Readers Theatre.** *The Best of Brown Bag.* Art Center, 5/20, 9:15-10 pm. $3-5; *Death's Angel.* With Terry Baum. An aging lesbian battles the staff of a hospital to make them accept the validity of her relationship with her dying lover. Art Center Theatre, 5/20, 10:15-11:15 pm. $3-5; *Sappho and Aphrodite.* A work in progress written and read by Karen Malpede. Kuumbwa Jazz Center, 5/21, 5:30-6:30 pm. $4; **At the Foot of the Mountain.** *Love Song for an Amazon.* Reading by the author and founder of Mountain, Martha Boesing, with woman for whom *Song* was written, Phyllis Jane Rose. Kuumbwa Jazz Center, 5/22, 1-2 pm. $4. Locations: Louden Nelson, 301 Center St; Kuumbwa 320-2 Center St; Art Center, 1001 Center Street. For information call (408)458-3195.

May 18-23: German Films of the '20's: Admission free. DeSaisset Museum, Univ. of Santa Clara campus, near Franklin off The Alameda, Santa Clara, 984-4528.

May 19: Black/White Party: 9:30 pm. Desperados, 1425 Hacienda, Campbell.

May 21: San Jose Poetry Center: Reading by Pulitzer Prize winner Galway Kinnel. 8 pm. San Jose State U. Student Union, Umunhum Room. Adm. $4.

May 21: Computer Swap-America: Show/sale of computers by manufacturers, retailers and individuals. Demonstrations and door prizes. 10-6 pm. Santa Clara County Exposition Center, 344 Tully Rd, San Jose. (415)494-6862 or 856-3041.

May 21-23: The 18th Annual Tournee of Animation: Camera One, 366 S. First St, San Jose.

May 22: San Jose Poetry Center: Workshop with Pulitzer Prize winner Galway Kinnel. 9:30-1 pm. Faculty Office Bldg, Rm 104, San Jose State University. $25 non-members, $20 members.

May 22: Dream Auction: Offerings include lunches with top Hollywood stars, trips to New York and London, cruise and ski vacations. $20 admission includes dinner with wine and champagne. 3-6 pm. Novitiate Winery, 300 College Ave., Los Gatos. Info: 297-8811.

May 25: AIDS & AB-1: Meeting to discuss needed work for passage of AB-1 and AIDS legislation. 7:30 pm. MCC, 160 E. Virginia, San Jose.

May 22: Pinochle Night: Register with the bartender. The Cruiser Lounge & Restaurant, 2651 El Comino Rl, Redwood City. (415)366-4955.

May 27: Third Annual Collier Art Auction: Sponsored by MCC-San Jose. 8 pm. McCabe Hall, San Jose Convention Center, San Jose.

May 28: Rose Maddox: 9 pm-1 am. The Rawhide II, 280 7th St at Folsom, San Francisco.

May 28-29: Antique & Collectible Faire: Sponsored by the San Jose Civic Light Opera Auxilliary. 10-6 pm 5/28 & noon-5 pm 5/29. Old Town Los Gatos, Los Gatos. 723-1795.

May 29: Birthday Party for May. Well drinks $1 for birthday people, hors d'oeuvres. 7 pm. The Cruiser Lounge & Restaurant, 2651 El Camino Rl, Redwood Cty. (415)366-4955.

June 1: East Bay Lesbian/Gay Demo Club: Public Forum on AIDS. Health professionals and AIDS patients discussion and answer questions. 7:30 pm. 155 Dwinelle, UC Berkeley. (415)864-4376 or 841-6224.

June 3: SJSU G.A.L.A. Potluck Picnic: Everyone invited. Noon-5 pm, Wiliam St. Park, San Jose. For info: 277-2047 or 288-7641.

June 3: Lesbian Rights Project Benefit: Fifth Anniversary Celebration. Hors d'oeuvres, champagne, wine and entertainment. $50 contribution. 5-7:30 pm. Wattis Founders Room, Davies Symphony Hall, San Francisco. For info: (415)621-0675.

June 5: TD's Annual Picnic: Steak BBQ, Beer/Soft Drinks. 10-6 pm, Food service from 1-4 pm. Tickets $13 from TD's, $15 from the gate. Saratoga Springs, Saratoga. Info: 243-4595.

June 19: Gay Pride Celebration: Noon to 6 pm. St. James Park, downtown San Jose. (408) 294-2311.

Sports Events

May 18-31: Baseball: San Jose Bees vs: Modesto (18,19); Salinas (27,28,29); Fresno, doubleheader, 4 pm. (30) and Fresno (31). All home games at 7:05 pm. except as noted. Municipal Stadium, 10th & Alma Sts., San Jose. Info: 297-1435.

May 18-28: Nascar Auto Races: Super modified & stock cars (28); Fourth annual 100-lap Lloyd Beard Classic; super modifieds only, plus street stocks same day (5/21). 7 pm. Santa Clara County Exposition Center, 344 Tully Rd., San Jose. Info: 438-3210 or 295-3050.

May 28: Bruce Jenner Classic: World-class athletes compete in track events. Latter portion to be filmed by NBC-TV. 1 pm. San Jose City College, 2100 Moorpark Ave., San Jose. Info: 298-2181.

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Gay Press convenes in Philadelphia, elects Segal pres

Former Presidential candidate John Anderson, keynote speaker, shakes hands with Our Paper board member Winn Crannell.

Our Paper board member Al Bonvouloir (l) exchanges a few funny words with newly elected GPA president Mark Segal.

By Phil Nash

(GPA Wire) "You are loved, needed and appreciated," declared Philadelphia Gay News publisher Mark Segal to 108 representatives of the gay media after being elected president of the Gay Press Association in his hometown May l.

Segal ascended to the presidency of the organization after serving as vice president of the trade association he helped found two and a half years ago.

Segal succeeds GPA's first president, Joe DiSabato, who stepped down from the position to devote more time to his business, Rivendell Marketing, an advertising firm that handles non-gay accounts in the gay press.

The Philadelphia meeting, held April 29 - May l, attracted publishers, editors, writers, photographers and representatives from electronic media from all over the United States as well as from Canada, The Netherlands and Australia. It was the fourth international gathering of the association since its founding in New York in January, 1981.

The group was welcomed by citations from Philadelphia's City Council, the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and Philadelphia District Attorney Ed Rendell.

Extending their greetings in person were Mayoral hopeful Wilson Goode and United States Representative Thomas Foglietta, a candidate who credits his 1982 victory to help from the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

In his keynote address at an opening evening dinner at Philadelphia's DCA Club, former independent presidential candidate John Anderson praised the gay press for its role in keeping the First Amendment alive.

He said that the gay press assures "the basic constitutional underpinnings that gays and lesbians have rights." He urged members of the gay press to continue their work to broaden the constitutionally guaranteed right, not merely for privacy, but to challenge the status quo and to be protected from discrimination.

Anderson spoke at length about the problems that the appearance of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome poses for public policy-makers.

"Yours is a terribly important role in the treatment of this issue," Anderson said, warning that the non-gay press cannot be expected to provide the critical analysis required during this epidemic.

Anderson said the identification of AIDS as a "gay disease" could isolate the gay community for yet another round of political repression. He also criticized federal policy-makers for their slowness in providing funds for research into the causes and possible solutions to the disease.

Black activist and Pulitzer prize-winning journalist Roger Wilkins emphasized the importance of the journalist's commitment "to truth, to ideas, to follow learning wherever it goes and to serve readers not by giving comfortable platitudes, but to give them the best truth you can find."

Wilkins related his experience working in the black community to similarities to working in the gay community, saying that leaders in minority groups often want their journalists to adhere to a "party line."

Wilkins criticized this position, saying that a commitment to tell the truth is "about as high a calling as one can find."

Throughout the day on April 30, delegates attended a variety of workshops on the business, editorial and production concerns of the gay media.

On Saturday evening, some of the delegates were transported from Phildelphia to New York City to attend the special performance of the Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus at Madison Square Garden as a benefit for the Gay Men's Health Crisis, a group providing counseling, education and support to the gay community during the AIDS epidemic. The remaining delegates were feted at a cocktail party at Key West, a Phildelphia disco, where comic Robin Tyler performed.

At the May 1 business meeting of the association, the membership adopted a resolution (among others) condemning New York Times for its failure to adequately report discriminatory closing of lesbian bars in New York City, police brutality at Blue's, a gay bar frequented by minority gays, and the Times' failure to use the words "gay" and "Ms." in editorial copy.

Besides the election of Mark Segal to the presidency of the organization, other officers were elected as follows:

•Henry McClurg, editor and publisher of Houston's Montrose Voice, Dallas Gay News and editor of Out in Texas was chosen vice president.

•Staci Aker, secretary of Florida's The Weekly News was elected secretary.

•Morgan Pinney was returned to his position as treasurer for the third consecutive year.

•Roy Lindberg, president of Star Reporter Publishing Company based on Staten Island in New York was returned to serve his second term representing the GPA's Northeast caucus.

•Tony Rome, editor and publisher of Cruise magazine in Detroit was selected to be the Midwest caucus board member.

•Jack Campbell, owner of the Club Bath chain and publisher of Out in Florida and Out in Texas was returned to the board as the delegate from the Southern caucus.

•Don Pintacura, editor and publisher of Arizona's The Western Express will serve as the Western caucus delegate.

•Steve Warren, a free lance entertainment writer based in San Francisco will serve as the National caucus representative.

•Susan Cavin, editor of Big Apple Dyke News, and Bob Craig, publisher of Los Angeles-based Frontiers will serve as at-large delegates to the board.

•Joe DiSabato will continue on the board in his capacity as immediate past president of the organization.

At the conclusion of the official business of the GPA convention, the First Annual Gay Press Awards were announced by Awards Chairman and outgoing board member Henry Mach.

The highest honor of the day was the announcement of the Magnus Hirschfeld Award for Outstanding Achievement and the GPA Award for Excellence for National News Coverage to Larry Bush, Lou Chibarro, Jr., Wallace Hamilton, Richard Kaye, Steve Martz, Martin McDonough, and Greg Robinson for "Gayscam," a comprehensive series of stories and analyses relating to developments in the media-manufactured scandal about homosexual activity between Congressmen and male teenage pages. The accounts were published in The Advocate, The New York Native and The Washington Blade.

The GPA convention concluded with the First Annual Invitational National Gay Leadership Press Conference.

Featured representatives were Virginia Apuzzo, executive director of the National Gay Task Force; Steve Endean, director of the Gay Rights National Lobby; Werner Kuhn of the National Association of Business Councils; Walter Lear of the National Gay Health Coalition; Jean O'Leary, executive director of the National Gay Rights Advocates; Gil Gerard of the National Coalition of Black Gays; Peter Vogel of the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs; and Charles Stewart, co-chair of the International Association of Black and White Men Together.

Virginia Apuzzo stated that in her first half year as NGTF's executive director, her attention has been focused primarily on eliminating the "margin of doubt" surrounding the organization after its well-publicized problems in dismissing former executive director Lucia Valeska.

In her travels to 20 different cities, Apuzzo said she has found that the national gay community "cares about its institutions." She said she believes NGTF's credibility has been re-established, citing an increased membership, now estimated between 9,300 to 9,500 persons, and increased use of NGTF resources by callers.

Apuzzo said NGTF's board has established a long-term priority of maintaining and supporting the numerous gains made by national and local gay groups over the past several years. Specifically, she mentioned work with labor unions, the National Governors Conference, the National Conference of Mayors and the National Council of Police Chiefs.

Steve Endean reported that Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome has become "priorities one through five" for GRNL.

He mentioned that he has been urged by many GRNL supporters to make AIDS funding in Congress the sole focus of the lobbying group, which he considers a poor strategy. He also mentioned that a number of bills focusing attention on funding for AIDS will be heard in May.

Endean announced that the national gay rights bill now has 64 co-sponsors, but is concerned that while this is the largest number of co-sponsors ever, there are still some legislators who have promised to co-sponsor the legislation but have failed to do so, and others whose co-sponsorship has not been renewed.

Endean also reported that the anticipated "McDonald amendment," an anti-gay clause introduced annually by arch-conservative Georgia representative Lawrence McDonald, will make it to floor debate after it is expected to leave committee deliberation May 15.

According to Jean O'Leary of National Gay Rights Advocates, judicial decisions are very slow in coming, but she reports a number of successes, including the recent decisions which now forbid discrimination on entry to the United States by the Department of Immigration and Naturalization due to cases successfully handled by NGRA.

O'Leary announced that the thrust of NGRA legal activity in the future will focus on the areas in which gays and lesbians suffer economic discrimination, an area she says is quite new in the legal field.

Such discrimination would affect matters of insurance for domestic partners, credit, inheritance, dependency and such areas as visitation rights for persons who are not related by blood or marriage.

While legal strategies are still under discussion, O'Leary said they could take two "extreme" forms. One would be to emphasize the status of gay people as "singles" thereby placing gays and lesbians in a larger group, or to possibly focus on changing state codes governing the issuance of marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

O'Leary also stressed the importance of looking at the movement to re-institute sodomy laws in some states in which they have been repealed from criminal code. She pointed out that some right-wing organizations are using the AIDS epidemic to strengthen their arguments against the legalization of certain sexual practices.

Walter Lear of the National Gay Health Coalition said that AIDS has taken highest priority on the national agenda of gay health concerns, but emphasizes that other health problems such as alcoholism, cigarette smoking and automobile accidents still kill more gays and lesbians than AIDS.

He also expressed concern that the Hepatavax vaccine recently introduced by Merck, Sharp and Dohme is not receiving the broad acceptance it should in the gay male community, which is at very high risk for Hepatitis B, a disease he claims kills more gay men annually than AIDS at this point.

Peter Vogel of the recently organized National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs pointed out the purpose of the group is not merely to organize around the platform and the candidate issues of the 1984 Democratic races, but to "assist NGTF and GRNL to establish the fact that the gay and lesbian community is a constituency, not just a collection of issues."

In response to the Democratic Party's selection of San Francisco for its 1984 convention, Vogel commented, "It would be an understatement to say that San Francisco will afford many unique opportunities."

He said he expects that the Democratic party might be more responsive to the needs of gay Democrats knowing the possible response of the large numbers of gays in that city.

Donald Stewart, co-chair of the International Association of Black and White Men Together, said his organization is widely misunderstood, and has organized primarily to deal with issues of mutual support, socializing and consciousness-raising resulting from interpretations of what the words in the title of his organization represent.

Stewart pointed out that while there has traditionally been some distrust of the gay movement by black leaders, the support gays receive from minority leaders is frequently not acknowledged in the gay press.

As an example, Stewart pointed out that there are 19 black legislators in the U.S. Congress, and 17 of them are co-sponsors of the federal gay rights legislation.

The National Coalition of Black Gays, according to Gil Gerard, is organizing and networking with a large number of black gay organizations, publications and individuals throughout the U.S. Also pointing out the occasional misapprehension of the gay movement on the part of minority groups, Gerard points out that 40 per cent of all persons diagnosed with AIDS are from minority groups, a fact that demonstrates the need for cooperation between minority groups.

Werner Kuhn of the National Association of Business Councils reported that the growth of gay business groups throughout the United States has been phenomenal, with many cities reporting strong growth of local groups and many new groups springing up in different cities.

Kuhn said that a major market research study on the economic impact of the gay communiy is being prepared for the organization to review at its annual convention in Milwaukee next month. Upon approval of the demographic survey, Kuhn says an effort will be made to recruit the funding and expertise necessary to implement it.

He believes that the survey will offer a tremendous amount of assistance to help develop new gay-oriented businesses as well as establish a more highly detailed picture of the demographics of the national gay community.

The Board of Directors decided at a meeting after the convention that the 1984 National Convention of the GPA will be held in Los Angeles next May. ■

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Tchaikowski, the gay composer, was supported by a stipend from Nadedja von Meck on the condition that he never meet her, an agreement both found most satisfactory for over 14 years.

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Lifestyle

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Gay Family Day

By Ted Sahl

Hello, Mr. & Mz. Gay America, San Jose —

The second annual "Gay Family Day" picnic and fair was held at Stanford University, Palo Alto.

Rhio Hiersch, member of the steering committee for the past six years, explained that after ten years the organization better known as the "Gay People's Union" of Stanford changed their title to G.L.A.S., the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Stanford. The group adopted this title to accommodate Lesbian womyn who are and have been active in the organization.

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Today's event, the only one of its kind in this area, was an opportunity for Gay men and Lesbian womyn to celebrate "a day" with their families in a proud and caring fashion in the open — for all to see — that we are proud of our families and ourselves.

300 people, Gay men, Lesbian womyn — their children — and straight friends celebrated "Gay Family Day" at Stanford on a bright, sunny day. The fair and picnic was sponsored by G.L.A.S., which provided fun, games, and food for all.

A large weather balloon with a map of the world painted on it was a challenge for the older teens to try to "ride it" if they were lucky enough to get on top of it (for a second).

Much wiser were the small children who lay on their backs and "kicked the world around" with great ease. Also for the kids was a pinata filled with goodies.

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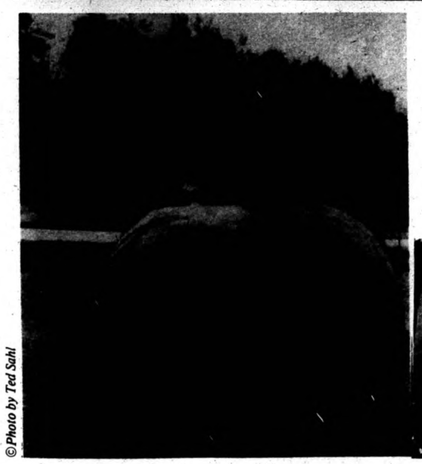

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The food was great! From what I saw and tasted, spread out on blankets. Some just sunned and drank beer and cokes.

Entertainment included those "sassy" dancers, better known as the Barbary Coast Cloggers, who had everyone hooting and clapping hands.

S.F. Gay Freedom Day Marching Band serenaded the crowd with several pieces, directed by Van Antwerp.

All in all, what can I say — you should have been there! ■

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Tell Teri

"In the closet" is not necessarily a phrase used to describe where you keep your shoes. It's a phrase which also decribes a disturbing number of gay people who, for many reasons, try to go through life hiding their homosexuality.

The alarming fact about closet gays is that many of them are successful at this game, causing a lot of disastrous situations, from stress on the job (someone might find out about you or you find out about someone else), to hasty cover-up marriages (no one will ever guess now, except the unfortunate straight spouse), to alcoholism and nervous breakdowns.

The closet gay is so caught up in worrying about other people's reactions to his/her sexuality, he/she doesn't have the time or energy to cope with life's everyday problems.

If your overriding concern is that someone at work will guess you're gay, then perhaps you should think about going into business for yourself.

After all, can anyone live a fulfilling life and be happy spending most of his time watching every word he says, or every mannerism, and monitoring every personal phone call made or received at work, just to make sure that people in the office never get a hint that he's "different?"

And what about lovers? Should they be closeted, too? Perhaps maintain separate households so the neighbors don't get suspicious? Be ready to disappear because you call and say, "I'm bringing a few people home for dinner and I don't want them to see us together. Have you got something you can do tonight?"

Being in the closet will drag a relationship down to a cold, one-dimensional lay for the night. How can you love and trust someone who's scared to be seen with you?

The other effect that closet gays cause is a weakening of the gay community as a whole. You can't deny what you are without feeling guilty. And guilt is one of the major reasons that gays cannot build a strong, supportive community.

Because of these "invisible" people, the proportion of gays in American society seems smaller than it actually is. Why should politicians listen to us when we ask for equal rights? They never hear any complaints from this "silent majority" within the gay community. Why should they put their political careers on the line for a tiny minority of people who are extremely unpopular with the majority of vocal Americans?

Would you want Jerry Falwell and friends ranting about *you* if you publicly supported legislation to benefit a group of people who won't stand up and speak for themselves?

It's hard to deal with the enormous amount of pressure that Falwell and his like can bring to bear. If we don't show our support of the people who support us, they won't be supporting us for very long.

Right now, Assemblyman Art Agnos has introduced a bill before the California legislature, AB-1, which would prohibit sexual-preference discrimination in hiring practices.

Last week I attended a meeting to discuss the work that needs to be done to get this bill passed. Approximately 30 people showed up. **30 people!**

Here we have all these gays who say they are afraid to come out at work because they'll be fired or harassed, and only 30 people show up to help support a bill which would put an end to job discrimination and harrassment.

How can people complain about discrimination and how scared they are, when the solution to the problem is right in front of their faces and yet they won't lift a finger to help themselves?

Since the AIDS crisis struck this community, a few people have become more aware that we have to pull together, or we will cease to exist as a community.

Instead of more people coming out of the closet, we will all be frightened into a deeper, darker closet and perhaps lose all the ground we have worked so hard to gain. ◄

Wayne Herriford

In the last several months, I have come to recognize more and more how important the concept of *support* is to our community and its ability to survive and grow stronger, and also how often we are unable or unwilling to support each other — for reasons which range from a lack of understanding of other people's needs to outright selfishness.

Recent headlines describe the almost epidemic proportions which AIDS is reaching in the male gay community. Other headlines point out the incidence of racism in many of the Bay Area's bars and the concurrent effect that has on black people.

On a more personal level, watching a number of close friends go through break-ups, as well as recently going through one myself, I have witnessed the lack of support from friends and neighbors at a time when that support could be very helpful.

All this has pointed out to me that we — as gay and lesbian people — can really be alone, and how this loneliness makes it very difficult to handle the various problems which we often face.

One of the definitions of support is "to give courage, faith or confidence; to help or comfort." This week, I would like to pass on some information on a number of organizations in our community which help fulfill this definition of support.

This list is by no means comprehensive, but hopefully will serve as a way of recognizing some of the important work that these organizations complete, as well as letting people know that they exist and are available to meet particular needs which you might have.

Last September I helped start a **Gay Men's Support Group** here in Palo Alto. At this point, it is up to twenty members, meeting bi-weekly.

Meetings are sometimes organized around a specific topic, and sometimes are open to general discussion. We also have had a couple of social gatherings which are structured to allow people the opportunity to meet and socialize in ways which are not typical for gay men — movies, watching T.V., informal dinners, even an Easter trip to Tahoe.

The primary objective of this group has been to provide a place where gay men can get together and talk to one another as openly and honestly as possible, in an environment free from the usual distractions. One of the by-products has also been the development of strong friendships and a genuine feeling that we have a small support group which is available to us when we need it.

There are a number of other support groups in existence in the area which may be of interest to you. The **Women's Rap Group** in Redwood City has been meeting for several years now.

In San Jose, at the Billy DeFrank Center, there is a **Gay Disabled Support Group**, a group for previously married Lesbians and Gay men, another men's support group, a social and discussion group for **Slightly Older Lesbians**, a **Gay & Lesbian Young Adults**, and a **Lesbian Rap Group**. For information on any of these groups, call the center at (408) 293-4525.

The **Black & White Men Together** group meets the first and third Mondays at the DeFrank Center. This is an excellent forum for inter-racial couples to meet other couples, discuss some of the problems which they face (both within the gay community and in the total population), and develop a network to help face and understand some of these problems.

In addition to the bi-weekly meetings, there are monthly social activities so people can meet and socialize in less formal settings. For more information, call James at (408) 356-6932.

The **Couple's Support Group of Greater San Jose** is an organization of Gay and Lesbian couples who meet monthly, usually at a potluck dinner held in someone's home.

This is a great way to meet other couples in a social situation where there is emphasis on getting to know one another and support the special problems that gay couples face.

It is also one of the few groups I am aware of where Gay *and* Lesbian couples have a chance to interface socially, which for me makes it an even more important way of getting to know more members of the community. Further information is available from Bruce (Vice-President) at (408) 356-5083.

Another very important kind of support is offered by the **Community Assistance Fund, Inc.** Started by the **Force Five** some time ago, this now independent, and soon to be tax-exempt, corporation offers emergency financial assistance to community members who experience catastrophic illness, tragedies such as fire, or other emergencies which create unexpected economic hardship.

Grants are made by a Board of Trustees, some of whom are from the Force Five and the balance are from the community at large. The money is primarily raised through an annual picnic, this year to be held on July 12 at Greer Park in Palo Alto. Donations can also be made to the fund (and at this time are deductible on state tax forms; application has been made for federal non-tax status). I am currently a trustee of the Fund and will be happy to provide information to anyone who is interested further (415) 322-5208.

There are many other places and organizations where Gay and Lesbian people can go to get or provide support to one another. **Gay Al-Anon** and AA groups exist, **The Bridge** and **Gay & Lesbian Alliance at Stanford**, the **Metropolitan Community Church** (MCC) in Redwood City and San Jose to name a few. All of these places, and many, many more offer organized settings where people can come together and join in with one another in supportive, caring relationships.

An important thing to remember, though, is that the fundamental source of support we can get is from each other as individuals. All too often we get caught up in our own survival and forget our friends and neighbors who are in need of a friendly word, a smile or a little of our time.

It is usually difficult enough for a gay brother or lesbian sister to face the "normal" pressures of coping with an often hostile world, without finding that there are as many pressures and hassles, if not more, "at home." One of the aspects of our particular culture that has traditionally distinguished Gay and Lesbian people from the society as a whole has been our sensitivity and concern for other people.

The more that we can show this sensitivity and concern to each other — especially across racial, sexual, physical, age, and economic barriers — the stronger we become as a community and the better off we are as people.

Social Notes: I understand that **The Interlude** has really changed, and from what I hear, it is even better than before! In addition to their restaurant and that fantastic piano bar area, they have added a dance area and a live D.J. Stop by and check it out.

The First Annual Junior Prom at the **Whiskey Gulch** Memorial High School will be history by the time this is printed, and if it turns out to be anything like what Brian is planning, it will be a definite for next year! Some of the prom dresses that I have seen are "to die for" and will make this an evening to remember. I understand that someone will be there taking pictures, so stay tuned for possible reprints!

As I mentioned earlier, the **Community Assistance Fund Picnic** is scheduled for July 12 at Greer Park in Palo Alto. This is the principle fundraiser for the fund, and has always been a great deal of fun.

This year will mark the fifth (and playoff) game between Palo Alto and Redwood City — which alone will make this an exciting day. With the food, beer, people, events, sunshine and the good cause it's a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

The **Mid-Pins Bowling League** started up again last Monday, the 16th, at the **Fiesta Lanes** in Palo Alto. (There is also another league which plays at the San Jose Fiesta Lanes on Weds.) People who are interested in playing should show up around 6 at either alley — there is usually a team which can use extra players.

Until next issue, please remember the importance that we all have to each other! Stay proud. ◄

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New Groups at Center

By Patrick Santiago

Janus is one of two new groups formed recently at the Billy De Frank Community Center. It is a group of people who get together to discuss B&D.

Janus meets once a month and is open to everyone. The group has workshops and speakers.

Another new group is called **Christian Support group.** Fred Gossette is the temporary facilitator. In a brief interview with this reporter, he said the following:

Q. Do you think the group will grow?

A. Yes, the group will grow. It will have a Christian perspective in the gay community. This group will not exclude anyone in the community, whether because of religious background or beliefs.

Q. When will the group meet?

A. It will meet every Saturday. At the moment we are planning to rotate facilitators each week until someone feels they are qualified to head the group.

Q. What type of social events will the group have?

A. The social events will be announced in the Billy DeFrank newsletter every month.

Q. Will the group close with prayer?

A. Yes, we feel very strongly about that.

There is also a new group forming in Palo Alto called the **Gay Business Association** and meeting once a month in various people's homes. ■

GRNL seeks summer interns

Washington, DC — The Gay Rights National Lobby is currently seeking three interns for this summer.

Positions are available for a Constituent Action Intern, a Legislative Intern and an Administrative Intern. Duties for these positions are:

•Constituent Action: Assist the Field Director with the management of the Field Associate Program and to assist with other constituent action and mobilization projects as needed.

•Legislative: Assist the Legislative Assistant with the development and management of the GRNL AIDS PROJECT and the newly formed Lobby Associates Team.

•Administrative: Work with the Administrative Assistant and Staff in the areas of volunteer recruitment and coordination, production of press releases, newsletters and information materials, and assist in the day-to-day operations of the Lobby.

A minimum commitment of three months, beginning in late May or early June, for twenty hours per week is required. Schedules will be flexible.

All positions demand a good sense of organization, good typing and strong communications skills.

These are all unsalaried positions and it is the responsibility of the interns to arrange their own housing and transportation.

Students may arrange to receive academic credit for their work through their colleges or universities. GRNL will provide evaluations and supervision for those receiving academic credit.

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The proceeds from *Hot Colors* will benefit the Outreach Subcommittee of the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade Committee, which is tasked by its by-lays to ensure broader participation of peoples traditionally under/non and mis-represented in our Gay Freedom Celebrations.

Ken Jones, **Outreach Subcommittee** Co-Chair, enthusiastically applauds the philosophical issues of this monumental undertaking. "It's very exciting to see the collective energies of peoples from many diverse backgrounds and spaces successfully working together with a common goal. I think that traditionally peoples of color, women, disabled, seniors and youth have been excluded from the Parade process. And, how very,very nice to see us strengthen our ties to make this a most visible and extremely positive statement to our community, to our families, and to our nation. The Eighties represent an era where our survival depends on this kind of Networking and Resource Sharing. *Hot Colors* represents an evening of sharing and partying and most righteously kicks off the 1983 Lesbian/Gay Freedom Festivities."

The **Outreach Sub-committee** meets regularly at the Valencia Rose, 766 Valencia Street (between 18th and 19th streets). For meetings dates, more information, or to discuss ways in which you may become involved please call the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade Committee Headquarters (415) 861-5404. □

EBL/GDC Dance

The *East Bay Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club* will be celebrating its 1st anniversary with an auction and dance at the Unitarian Fellowship Hall, Cedar and Bonita, Berkeley. Everyone is invited to join in the festivities, which begin at 7:30 p.m. on May 20. Admission is free.

Many interesting and useful products and services will be offered to the highest bidder. Alameda County Supervisor John George, Assemblymember Tom Bates, and Berkeley Councilmembers Veronika Fukson and Andrea Washburn will be amongst the auctioneers.

Items to be auctioned include artwork, clothing, pet supplies & grooming, legal consultation, sensuous supplies, records, books, flower arrangements, tax consultation, hot tub for two, tarot reading, exercise classes, French lessons, a champagne & blintz brunch, garden consultation, and jewelry.

Merchants and professionals making contributions include: The Clockworks, For Yourself, Ryer & Ginsberg, Osento Bathhouse, Something Special, Perfect Petals, The Mitre Box, Studio 6000, Says Who?, Tiffany's Pet Shop, Solano Chiropractic, Reprint Mint, Cody's, Berkeley Stage Co., Dr. Leslie Solomon, Fisher's Custom Design Jewelry, and King Books.

Door prizes, refreshments, and lots of fun are also to be had. All proceeds go to benefit the EBL/GDC in its efforts to advance gay/lesbian rights in the East Bay. For more info, call 849-3983.□

MURPHY'S MANOR
by Kurt Erichsen

Lesbian & Gay Pride Guide Resource Directory

Tower Press Of New York City will publish 30,000 copies of the 1983 Lesbian and Gay Pride Guide Resource Directory on June 10, 1983.

This free resource directory has been published by *Tower Press* since 1981 and is issued in conjunction with the annual Lesbian and Gay Celebration held in New York City during the last week of June that commemorates the Stonewall uprising.

Included in this year's Pride Guide will be advertising, lesbian and gay resources, an expanded calendar of events (covering all lesbian and gay activities in the New York metropolitan area June 17-26, 1983) and significant editorial content on the subject of "Information Delivery in the 1980's."

A variety of articles will be written addressing the theme as it relates to such topics as health care, legal services, employment, entertainment, relationships, switchboard referrals and political action.

20,000 copies of the *Pride Guide* were published in 1982 and proved quite popular with out-of-town visitors to New York. So much so that the entire supply of resource directories was quickly gone following publication.

Individuals outside of New York City who may wish to have a copy of the 1983 *Pride Guide* in advance of the June 10th distribution date may order pre-publication copies directly from *Tower Press.* Individual copies may be requested for $2.50 (to cover postage and handling). The check or money order should be made payable to *Tower Press* and orders should be directed to *Pride Guide '83, Tower Press,* 20 West 22nd Street, New York, N.Y. 10010.

For further information about the 1983 *Pride Guide* contact Susan Horowitz or Richard Drezen at (212) 989-6615. □

Humanist Forum

Sex, Stress and Self-Esteem is the title of a talk to be given by Lloyd Moglen, M.D. on Friday, May 20 at 9 p.m. at the Saratoga Community Library, 13650 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga.

Dr. Moglen is on the clinical faculty of the Stanford Medical School and was the pioneer of the call-in counseling radio format ten years ago.

Currently he is heard of KQED-FM in San Francisco every Friday night from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

He has a private practice in psychiatry in Campbell.

Regarding his talk's title, Dr. Moglen says, "These three areas are intimately related. By understanding how they connect, one will better understand each particular area just as we better understand ourselves as we observe and experience how we relate to different people."

Dr. Moglen will sprinkle his smorgasbord topic with poems, vignettes and anecdotes "so the heart may hear what the mind cannot."

Those planning to attend the talk are encouraged to listen to Dr. Moglen's radio program and then come to the forum to meet him in person.

Refreshments will be available from 8 p.m. There is no charge for the meeting.

For further information, contact the Humanist Community of San Jose, 3032 Warm Springs Drive, San Jose, CA 95127. (408) 251-3030. ■

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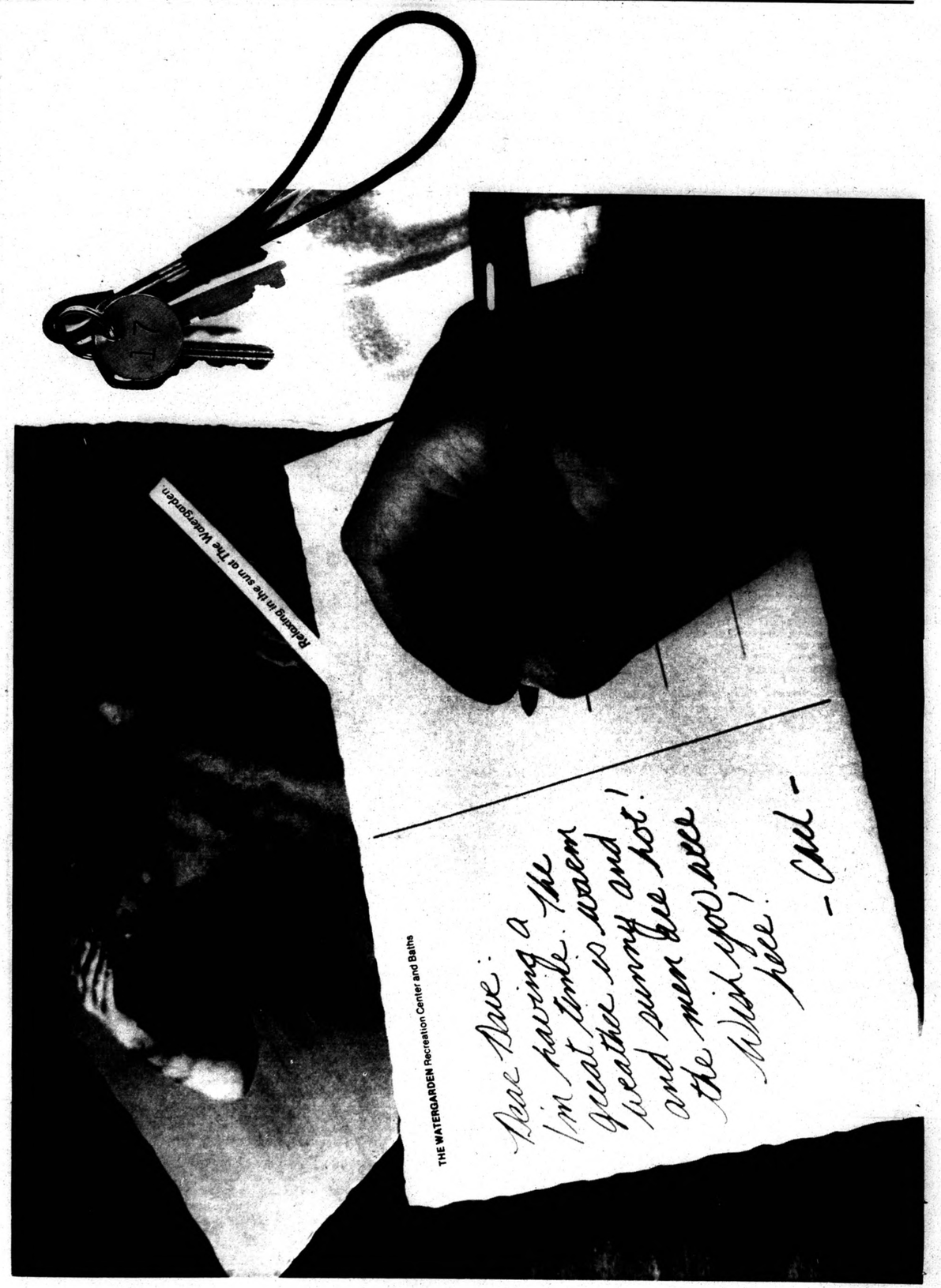

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SDA Kinship Announces Kampmeeting '83

Seventh-Day Adventist Kinship, International, Inc., an organization of gay and lesbian Seventh-Day Adventists, will hold its fourth annual "Kampmeeting" at a wooded summer camp in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, August 7-14, according to Obed Vazquez, coordinator of Kampmeeting '83.

The week-long retreat will feature a variety of workshops, recreation, worship services, and social activities.

"Kampmeeting is an incredible week of our lives that makes the rest of the year more bearable," Vazquez said. "It is a time of rejuvenation, a time of sharing and healing that can only be fully understood by others who know what it means to be gay and Christian in a conservative faith.

"It's a wonderful way for gays and lesbians to make new friends in a wholesome and non-threatening environment."

Kampmeeting participants include more than just the members of the worldwide organization. Some members bring their parents. And the group also invites a panel of Adventist pastors, educators, counselors, and medical professionals.

"Some of the most outstanding evidence of our right to be gay and Christian has come from these heterosexual clergy who have conducted unbiased, exhaustive research in Old and New Testament scripture," said Dr. Ronald Lawson, an officer of SDA Kinship and liaison with the church's General Conference.

However, the church does not encourage its clergy to participate, and SDA Kinship is not officially recognized by the Adventist Church.

"We may exist without the blessing of the church," commented President Robert Bouchard, "but we are no longer strangers to them."

Kinship chapters are active throughtout the United States and in several foreign countries; its newsletter list exceeds 500 subscribers; SDA Kinship speaker's bureau has been invited to a variety of classes at both public and Seventh-day Adventist colleges; and SDA Kinship provides publications and brochures for educational purposes.

In its six-year history, SDA Kinship has placed foremost emphasis on serving the gay Adventist community, but it is also a prime mover in working with church leaders, parents and interested Adventists in an attempt to dispel many of the stereotypes, misconceptions and fallacies plaguing homosexuals in the church.

"We have at least now reached the point where some Adventist pastors are not afraid to refer counselees to SDA Kinship, and they no longer consider being 'gay and Christian' to be a contradiction of terms," Bouchard said.

For further information about the Kampmeeting or SDA Kinship, contact the group at P.O. Box 1233-P, Los Angeles, CA 90028. (213) 876-2076. ◄

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Club Baths screen for AIDS

Jack Campbell

(GPA Wire) Immunosearch, Inc. and J.W. Campbell & Associates, Inc., part of the national Club Bath chain, have launched a test screening project for AIDS which began in Miami at the Club Miami late last month.

Immunosearch is providing medical services for AIDS screening at many of CBC's locations. CBC is a nationwide chain of health clubs.

Jack Campbell, founder of CBC and treasurer of the Gay Rights National Lobby said, "Our goal is to offer the national gay community members convenient and affordable AIDS screening which will give them accurate personal medical information."

At press time, the national AIDS screening program was reportedly being instituted almost simultaneously in many states, concentrating on densely populated gay areas.

Campbell has been an activist member of the gay community for over 20 years and is a charter member of the National Association of Business Councils, which is the national organization of gay business owners, as well as a charter member of the international Gay Press Association.

Campbell said, "We chose Miami as the launching pad for the AIDS screening because of the cross-mix in populations as well as its international travel flow."

For more information, contact Club Miami at (305) 448-2214.

Conference on Aging

San Francisco *(IGNA)* The Second National Conference on Lesbian and Gay Aging will feature presentations by a large number of respected and highly qualified speakers.

To be held in San Francisco June 24–25 at San Francisco State University, the Conference will be one of the major activities leading up to the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade (Sunday, June 26).

Older Lesbians and Gay men, early community activists, political leaders, service providers, and a host of specialists in research, teaching, theatre, cinema and writing will participate.

The Conference will begin with a keynote address and a general session on *The Politics of Aging* and *The Lesbian/Gay Movement in Historical Perspective.*

Confirmed presenters include **Morris Kight, Del Martin, Phyliss Lyon, Dorr Jones, Harry Hay, Jim Kepner, Harry Britt, Don Clark,** and **Judge Herbert Donaldson.**

Tradeswomen plan first conference

Ten years ago, it would have been the impossible dream.

Now, the first National Conference of Women in the Trades will take place Memorial Day weekend, May 28-30, in the San Francisco Bay Area, sponsored by Tradeswomen, Inc., a non-profit grassroots organization of women in non-traditional blue collar jobs.

A decade ago, virtually no trade workers were women. Now, there are nearly 75,000 women working in the construction trades alone, not to mention public works, transportation and manufacturing.

The building and strengthening of a national network among tradeswomen and their advocates is a main goal of the conference, which will be attended by women from across the U.S. and Canada. The event will also encourage women to become aware of and to pursue the many options available in blue collar work.

Special attention will be paid to issues unique to women of color. Above all, the gathering will provide support and inspiration to all women working in fields traditionally dominated by men.

Workshops will focus on four major groups: union women, self-employed tradeswomen, entry level women, and advocates for tradeswomen.

Workshops will include discussion of such topics as racial and sexual harassment, collective bargaining on women's issues, health and safety, how to get and keep a job, and how to start a business.

For further information, send a legal-sized SASE to: Tradeswomen, Inc., P.O. Box 40664, San Francisco, CA 94204, or call Tradeswomen, Inc. at (415) 989-1566 or Dorian King at (415) 834-3268 (women of color). ☐

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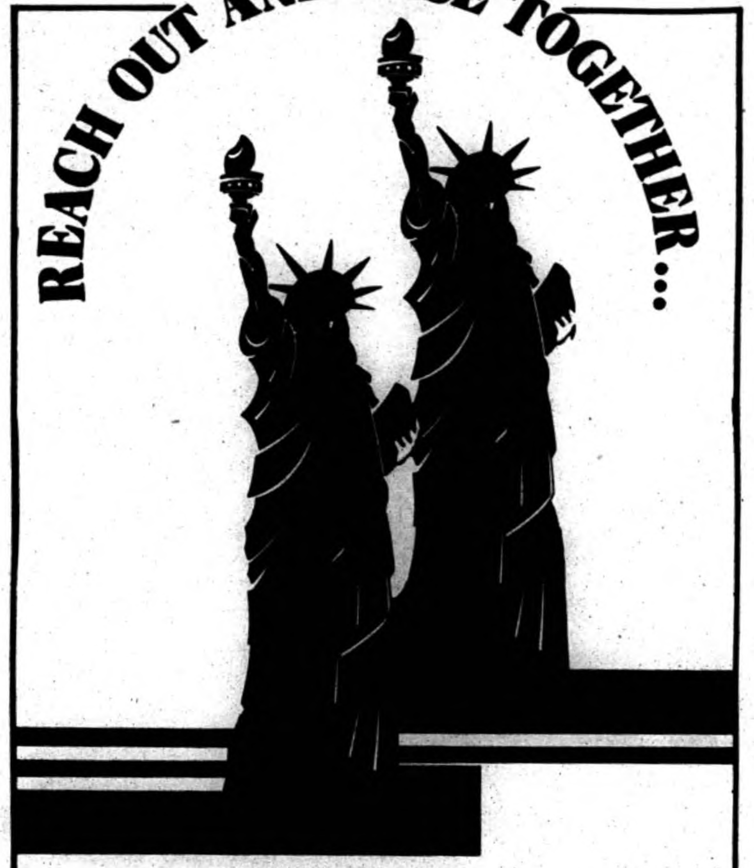

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INTO THE HOUSE

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efforts and research, and to coordinate studies at other levels of government."

Ostrow's testimony included similar proposals, asking "not only for increased funding of AIDS research programs but also for modifications in the manner in which research proposals are solicited and reviewed for funding."

Citing development of Hepatitis B vaccine, Ostrow urged collaborative development of research awards to speed up funding. He also commented that CDC is telling researchers they don't have enough money while telling Congress they do.

Enlow observed that, "The number of individuals reported to the CDC six months ago occurred at the rate of one per day. We are now told that at least six new cases are reported every single day."

He went on to comment that, "We tend to refer to people with AIDS as 'patients,' 'cases' or 'victims.' They are human lives with families and loved ones, members of communities throughout the nation."

Referring to a recent request for AIDS research proposals by one of the National Institutes of Health, he stated, "This is not adequate. We must and can do more. What are our national priorities for something which may hold the secrets to cancer and the entire immune system?"

Steve Endean, Executive Director of GRNL, was very pleased with the hearing. "We owe Rep. Bill Green (R-NY) our sincere thanks for coming to the hearing to introduce the three witnesses and for staying through the testimony. I also want to thank Ginny Apuzzo, Dr. David Ostrow and Dr. Roger Enlow for testifying today.

"Usually, GRNL handles lobbying in Congress and NGTF handles administrative agencies and other areas. But since this bill appropriates money for several of those agencies, I felt it was appropriate for Ginny to testify," explained Endean. "I felt it was in the new spirit of cooperation between NGTF and GRNL."

"GRNL's AIDS Project is taking a tremendous amount of energy and time," commented Endean, "but it's clearly worth it if more research, research which is started earlier saves people from suffering and dying." ■

ON THE STREETS

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issue: "We owe you, the gay community, the greatest appreciation because outside of you, nobody has attempted to mobilize or to deal with a problem that belongs to all of us."

Weiss was cheered when he attributed "the reticence with which we address the AIDS epidemic" as akin to society's unwillingness to afford the gay community their civil rights.

Weiss also expressed concern for AIDS patients who may now qualify for SSI (Supplemental Security Insurance) but under Reagan's new rules cannot get medical coverage for two years.

Weiss also noted that since he had spoken at an AIDS symposium only two weeks earlier, another 100 people had been added to the national statistics kept by the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta of patients with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, and 50 more had died.

M.C. Fourat, a longtime gay activist, read off the national and local figures to date: 1364 cases of AIDS, 520 deaths nationally, 204 in New York City alone.

Actress Susan Sarandon, another crowd favorite, declared, "I had a friend who died of AIDS. I have potential friends out there (in the crowd). I don't want to see any more friends or potential friends" die of this disease.

Taking up from the candles raised by the crowd, she urged society's attitude about the disease of unknown origin to "come out of some dismal Dark Ages and into the light."

Other speakers included two AIDS patients, another Congressman, author Larry Kramer, National Gay Task Force Executive Director Virginia Apuzzo and Dr. Roger Enlow, recently appointed by the city's Mayor Ed Koch to head an Office of Lesbian and Gay Health.

Several speakers trashed the New York Times and other city dailies that had accomplished a complete white-out of Saturday night, April 30's sellout of Madison Square Garden circus benefit for AIDS, addressed by Mayor Koch. A chant of "boycott the Times!" went up from the crowd several times.

A scheduled Haitian speaker declined at the last minute, and although 41% of AIDS patients are people of color, none were speakers on the rally platform.

Dr. Enlow described AIDS as "The most complicated problem we've ever faced in medical history." He said it would take bright ideas to come up with a cure, but "bright ideas fail" when their research isn't funded.

Enlow in January met with blood banks at a conference in Washington D.C. at which it was agreed to seek a surrogate blood marker screening process for exclusion of AIDS or potential AIDS carriers rather than adopting socially discriminatory and less effective policies.

Subsequently, the blood banks backed away from their agreement, and a socially discriminatory policy of self-excluding homosexually active males, recent Haitian immigrants and intravenous drug users has since been issued as guidelines from the federal Food & Drug Administration without funding any research to find if such guidelines are even relevant.

Medical research, Enlow said at the rally, is a multi-billion dollar industry. "It is very appropriate we are here tonight to demand our fair share. I am tired of seeing my friends and patients die."

Manhattan Republican Congressman Bill Green insisted funding of AIDS was a bipartisan effort, despite the Executive branch's dragging its feet in the release of funds already voted by Congress. However, Green said, not enough letters were coming in supporting such funding. "Please help us by writing."

A letter from New York's Governor Mario Cuomo was read, reminding the audience he had declared April AIDS Awareness Month and promising continued support.

Yet the state, Congress and city were all criticized for inadequate funding of both research and patient support services.

Author Larry Kramer boasted that the mayor of San Francisco had committed a million dollars to AIDS research and patient care, while locally Mayor Koch had released only $25,000 and refused to offer an empty high school on 13th Street in a neighborhood accessible to many patients to be used as a patient services center and office for local AIDS networking groups.

"AIDS is our Vietnam," Kramer asserted. "The issue of death has been turned into politics. We are dying here, not in El Salvador."

Kramer compared $600 million in aid to the El Salvadorean army-supported government, $10 million to fight the Tylenol poisoning and $5 million emergency federal funds to clear snow off New York City streets to the "princely piss-poor sum" trickling down for AIDS research. He reeled off the names of many faggot designer labels Nancy Reagan wears and asked the First Lady to help get her husband off his "Levi's 501's" to help the dying.

But the most impassioned plea to the President came from AIDS patient Bob Cecchi, who appealed to Reagan in his role as Father of our Country. "If you are my father, Mr. President, then I am your son. Please help me save my life."

Michael Callen, another AIDS patient and cofounder of Gay Men with AIDS, introduced himself, waving his arms in the air like the Elephant Man. "This is what we look like — just like everybody else."

Callen warned against supporting attempts to quarantine the disenfranchised groups who have been the first targets of AIDS. He also complained about the myth of "bad blood" being perpetrated. "In the name of medicine they might be able to accomplish what they have so far been unable to accomplish politically" in divesting gays and other groups of their Constitutional rights.

The right to privacy Callen also stressed, noting that social security numbers were now being used to code AIDS patient interviews with the Centers for Disease Control and asked what abusive purposes the government might make of such information.

"I want information to go forward," Callen said, "but not at the cost of my civil rights."

He also pointed out that in the panic Haitian maids were being fired, while known AIDS patients had lost both their jobs and apartments. Those not too sick to work need jobs, he said, and suggested an 8-hour shift could be split into two half-time positions for two AIDS patients.

"We need to be touched," he said, "talked to and treated like people with disease — not like lepers."

NGTF Director Ginny Apuzzo concluded the rally with a rousing speech cursing the "politics of gesture in the face of rising fatalities."

Unsatisfied with "a thousand dollars here and a thousand dollars there," she warned "those politicians who sell their favors in exchange for charity, the price has just gone up."

She called for "a crash program to attack this disease with the seriousness that we're living with it."

Apuzzo further vowed, "If something isn't done soon, we will not be here in Federal Plaza at night in this quiet, we will be on Wall Street at noon!"

Demands, she said, would be taken to the city, state and federal levels as well as the national conventions next year, "and no politician will be immune to a community who will not take no for an answer."

She characterized the gay community as one that "doesn't just come out but reaches out," and underscored, "There is a fierce urgency afoot in this community."

The rally ended with a fist in the air chant, "NOW! NOW! NOW! NOW!," the echoes trailing off into the night. ■

Marge Sutton Auction

Marge Sutton, former candidate for State Assembly in the 22nd District, is holding a Celebrity Auction & Picnic on Sunday, May 22 to raise funds to pay off campaign debts.

The Picnic/Auction will be held beginning at 11 a.m. at San Antonio Preserve (Mora Dr, off 280).

A number of politicians and others have donated items for the auction benefit, including: A luncheon/tour of the restored State Capitol with Senator John Garamendi; a tramp in the High Sierra with former Rep. Pete McCloskey and wife Helen; a picnic at his Los Banos ranch with Assemblyman Rusty Areias; and a Capitol luncheon/tour with State Senator Al Alquist.

County Supervisor Susanne Wilson has agreed to be auctioned as a French maid and former Councilman Jim Jackson as an English butler for a party.

Supervisor Rod Diridon and wife Mary Ann will take the winner to the San Jose Symphony, and Senator Dan McCorquodale offers an airplane ride.

Supervisor Zoe Lofgren prefers to offer a lunch at the Eulipia Restaurant, while Councilman Jerry Estruth and wife Elizabeth will take the winner whale-watching.

These and many other unusual offers will go to the highest bidder beginning at 1 p.m. on May 22.

Entertainment for the event is being provided by the Los Trancos Woods Community Marching Band, plus a sing-along with Jeff on the guitar.

For more information, call (415) 949-0509. ■

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crisis may be destructive to efforts in the area of gay rights.

"The need for protection of Gay and Lesbian people in housing and employment is urgently needed," according to Doug Winslow, a Gay community organizer, "especially in light of potential public reaction to the AIDS crisis."

"We may witness discrimination in its worst form if AIDS continues to spread so rapidly and continues to be attributed to the gay community," Winslow said.

The May 26 meeting will feature a guest speaker from the AIDS and KS Foundation in San Francisco who will speak to the group and answer questions from the audience. Organizers of local political action for AB-1 will be planning and coordinating strategy to help promote the important non-discrimination law.

The meeting is open to the public. For further information, call (408) 294-2311. ■

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Chicago said that he advised Mason not to apply for a permit because "the permit application requires finger-printing and questions about the owner's background, which the U.S. Supreme Court has said is impermissible."

The permit procedure also applies an unconstitutional "prior restraint" on free speech and association and treats adult bookstores differently from regular bookstores and theatres, he aded.

According to Mason's suit, his business sells books, magazines, novelties and films and also has coin-operated movies and nude female dancers in the theatre.

The suit also noted that the police code exempts educational, social, religious and fraternal orders from a permit requirement and thus "a local church, Moose Lodge, or university could show X-rated films without a license," thus violating equal protection provision of the Constitution.

In the past the police have maintained control over such operations because of their legal posture, allowing them to raid gay places such as the Jaguar Bookstore, Savages, and leaving themselves open to accusations of accepting bribes and kickbacks in the issuing of permits. ■

MCC Art Auction

The Metropolitan Community Church of San Jose will be holding its annual Art Exhibition and Auction at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 27, 1983 at McCabe Hall in the San Jose Convention Center (Market and San Carlos Streets).

Featured will be original graphics, oils and watercolors by such international award-winning artists such as Hinte, Kelly, School of Paris Artists and others. Such world-famous masters as Dali, Picasso, Miro and Chagall will also be represented.

Each work of art is in a frame individually selected to complement that particular piece.

A donation of $2.25 per person is requested for admission to the exhibit. Visa and Mastercard will be accepted for the auction.

A piece of fine art will be given as a door prize. No-host refreshments will be available.

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