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## Coors appeals federal court ruling

By Dion B. Sanders  
Via GPA Wire Service

San Francisco — The Adolph Coors Co. has filed an appeal to a federal judge's decision dismissing a \$145,000 anti-trust suit it filed against leaders of a six-year-old boycott of Coors beer, it was disclosed late last month.

At the same time, the company has filed a separate lawsuit against boycott leaders Howard Wallace and David Sickler in state court.

Attorneys for the Colorado-based brewery asked the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals here to overturn a ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Spencer Williams that threw out Coors' suit charging that Wallace, Northern California coordinator of the AFL-CIO Coors Boycott Committee, threatened violence against San Francisco public-TV station KQED, if it went through with a planned "Coors Day" during its annual fundraising auction in 1981.

Wallace, who is also an agent for Solidarity, a local lesbian/gay labor organization, and Sickler, national coordinator of the boycott committee, were named as co-defendants in the state suit, filed March 8 in Superior Court in Los Angeles, where Sickler resides.

Solidarity, which is a defendant in the federal lawsuit, was not named in the state litigation.

The latest legal actions come on the heels of controversy surrounding reports that William Coors, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, made "insensitive" and "insulting" remarks about blacks.

In a speech before 110 minority business owners to a minority business development seminar in Denver February 3, Coors said that blacks "lack the intellectual capacity to succeed," according to the daily Rocky Mountain News. The News quoted Coors as saying that "one of the best things that (slave traders) did for you (blacks) was to drag your ancestors over here in chains."

The newspaper headlined its story "Coors Calls Blacks 'Intellectual' Inferiors." Almost immediately, black leaders in Denver and Los Angeles called for a black community boycott of Coors.

Robert Carroll, a partner in the law firm of Mittler, Mendelson, Fastiff and Tichy — which represents Coors in the Bay Area — charged that Wallace and Sickler committed "intentional negligent interference" in Coors' participation in KQED's annual auction.

"Coors and KQED had signed a legal contract to raise funds for the station for 13 hours (Coors Day)," Carroll said. "The company raised \$13,000 for the station."

Carroll sharply disagreed with Judge Williams' ruling, which held that in accordance with a 1983 U.S. Supreme Court decision, the boycott against Coors was constitutionally protected.

The high court ruled in NAACP v. Claiborne Hardware that a 1979-82 boycott of white-owned stores in Mississippi by blacks to protest job discrimination against them by the stores, was a legitimate form of redress of grievances, protected by the First Amendment.

In a strongly worded, 22-page decision, Judge Williams branded Coors' charges of the boycotters committing restraint of trade in violation of anti-trust laws "far-fetched" and an "unwarranted expansion in anti-trust theory."

Carroll, however, told GPA that contrary to Williams' ruling, "There is a difference between boycotting stores that refuse to hire blacks, and destroying a contract between two business parties."

Asked why the Coors Company did not file suit against KQED for breach of contract, Carroll said that "KQED apologized abjectly to Coors, saying that the station was receiving threats by Howard Wallace of violent action against the station, and thus felt they had no choice but to cancel 'Coors Day.'"

Ken Waggoner, director of corporate communications at KQED, told GPA that as far as he could recall, "there were conversations back and forth (between the station and Coors). The union had threatened to picket our (auction) studios (at the Cow Palace) on Coors Day, and in fact, there were already informational pickets there."

Waggoner added that "given the circumstances, Coors told us 'we don't have to do this (Coors Day) if it would cause problems for you,' to which we said that it would be best for both parties not to put it on."

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A grinning Governor Deukmejian joked, poked fun at Democrats, and clapped time to a Republican marching band inside the Marriott Hotel in Santa Clara the weekend following his veto of Gay Rights Bill AB-1, while pickets demonstrated outside the convention hall. Photo by Ted Sahl

## '84 and Counting presents Gay/Lesbian issues to Demo Platform Committee

A coalition of Lesbian/Gay political organizations called on the Democratic Party last week to affirm the "fundamental right (of Gay men and Lesbians) to be involved in the decisions that affect our lives."

Virginia M. Apuzzo, Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force, addressing the Democratic Party Platform Committee in Washington, D.C., discussed the issues of concern to the Gay/Lesbian community in the 1984 election campaign. She spoke on behalf of 84 and Counting, the coalition that includes NGTF, the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs, the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the National Coalition of Black Gays, and the Gay Rights National Lobby.

Apuzzo told the platform committee, "in this campaign, our agenda includes not only protection against anti-Gay/Lesbian bias in the public and private sectors, but also the broader questions of access to the government that represents us, inclusion in the government's decision-making process, and responsiveness to the larger concerns we face as a minority group and as a community."

Among the issues outlined in the statement were:

- Extending the civil rights protections granted in the 1964 Civil Rights Act to include Gay men and Lesbians remains a major priority.
- The next president should be committed to signing an executive order banning discrimination against Gays and Lesbians within government... (including) the military and national security agencies.
- Violence against Lesbians and

Gay men (should) be considered prosecutable as a civil rights violation.

- A thorough overhaul of existing immigration law is essential (to eliminate the exclusion of Gay men and Lesbians from entering the United States, and to produce) immigration reform that is fair to all (groups).
- (The health care system) needs to be restructured so it can more quickly respond to health emergencies (such as AIDS).
- (Apuzzo called for increased funding for aids research, as well as more complete benefits for the individual struck by serious illness.)
- The half of our community that is female is doubly affected by discrimination... We join the women's community in urging the (Democratic) Party to con-

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## NGTF responds to California veto

Reacting to the veto of the California Gay/Lesbian civil rights bill by Governor George Deukmejian on March 13, National Gay Task Force Executive Director Virginia M. Apuzzo applauded "the hard work of the California Gay/Lesbian community, their friends, and those legislators who supported AB 1." She continued, "this set back should not cause us to overlook the political strength that got this measure through the legislature in the first place. That same strength will now continue the fight in this and other forums."

The California bill, given final approval by the state legislature on March 1, would have guaranteed protection against employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

In vetoing the bill, Deukmejian alleged that there was no proof of discrimination in the work place against Gay men and Lesbians.

"Those of us who are Gay or Lesbian," Apuzzo replied, "live with discrimination every day of our lives. We must now redouble our efforts to systematically document anti-Gay/Lesbian bias across the board."

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Gay picketers vowed to veto Deukmejian in the next election.

Photo by Ted Sahl

## Gays demonstrate, Republicans rally in Santa Clara

By Ted Sahl

The target for the demonstration was inside the Marriott Hotel speaking to 600 Republican delegates who gathered for a three-day convention last month. Governor Deukmejian was the guest of honor and addressed the delegates in a light-hearted manner.

Deukmejian joked, and poked fun at the Democrats after he managed to quiet down the crowd.

As he stepped up to the podium a band marched into the room, catching the governor by surprise.

One member held a bull horn which played a firetruck siren over and over combined with the music!

Delegates jumped up and joined the band as it snaked through the hall. Deukmejian became starry-eyed, and joined in, clapping his hands in time to the music.

As soon as his speech ended, he was whisked out and gone — the back way, that is!

Press conferences were held on Saturday.

Ed Rollins, Chief Advisor to President Reagan, and U.S. Secretary of Education Terrel Bell spoke on Saturday, as well as Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Calling themselves the Victory '84 Task Force to Re-elect President Reagan and Vice President Bush, delegates to the Republican State Convention stated, "It is mandatory that we assure the success of Governor Deukmejian's fair reapportionment initiative."

The show — a history of these four years of Reagan's administration — points out the drop in inflation, higher home sales, the lost leadership of the past administration.

The President asks for "sacrifices" but never "surrender." Marching music begins — the recovery is going full blast.

But the President says Republicans are vulnerable, and fundraising is going strong to meet the challenge in 1984.

The GOP must be the majority party on the state, local and national level.

Next, Paul Laxalt is on screen — he says briefly "Yes — America is back!"

The music quickens and grows louder: "Our Truth is Marching On!"

"We must work harder, long hours, secure the future for the future, a crusade," says the President's voice.

A picture next of the Washing-

ton Monument, Lincoln Memorial, and the Liberty Bell — the music changes to a loud crescendo — "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord" — and ends with a flag on both outer screens, and the large picture center of the President praying.

The last important speaker on Sunday was Ed Rollins, advisor to President Reagan.

Most of his speech poked fun at Hart and Mondale.

However, Rollins was quick to point out: "Women will be extremely important in the election in November. Registration will be important for every Republican," he said.

"Yes, it's true, we've been known to ignore the women of this country, but all that will change in Dallas.

"The Republican Party is what this generation needs. We can and will replace austerity with prosperity."



Republicans rallied 'round Reagan inside the convention Hall.

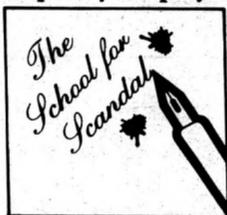
Photo by Ted Sahl



Robert Rossini of Liberty Bell Club, an association of Gay and Lesbian Republicans, stepped outside the convention hall to speak to demonstrators, asking Gays to join his group and work within the party. Gay spokesmen replied angrily that Rossini should join them in picketing. The impasse only made everyone more angry. Rossini was visibly shaken and finally went back into the hotel.

Photo by Ted Sahl

## San Jose Repertory Company Presents



by Richard Brinsley Sheridan

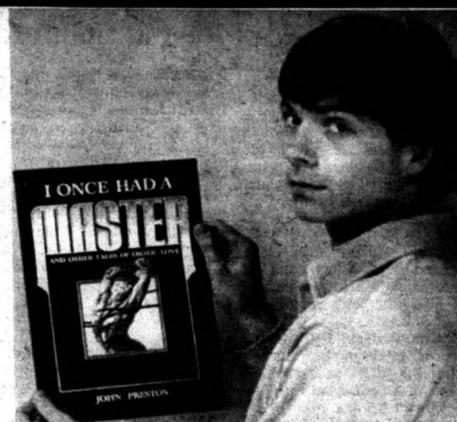
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Publisher Sasha Alyson displays cover of controversial new novel.

## Printers refuse Gay novel

Alyson Publications of Boston is determined to wrap its newest novel, *Once I Had a Master*, onto a printing press—despite the on-going efforts of conservative religious groups to restrict such expressions of Gay identity.

Fearful of losing business from the many religious book publishers, a number of printers have declined Gay-oriented work in the past; now trouble has focused on *Once I Had a Master*, a collection of stories by John Preston.

"One printer has refused to accept any more of our books at all," says publisher Sasha Alyson. "If we were to publish a book on, say, the stock market, they tell me they'll print it. Otherwise, they say, don't even ask."

"Another printer's reaction was more interesting: They said they have no problem doing Gay books, but they wouldn't do anything 'so explicit.' The saleswoman explained, while returning the layouts, the company

does a lot of printing for religious publishers.

"It seems," Alyson continues, "they once printed a book about the penis, and some pages from it accidentally got bound into one of the many religious books they print. I guess life at the print shop has never been quite the same."

With Preston a widely published writer, whose novel *Fanny* recently won a Jane Chambers playwriting award, the printing is not due to the books quality, but subject matter. *Once I Had a Master* is an erotic Gay male novel about...

Well, what would you think a book with that title is about? What does the author think of all this?

"I suppose he's worried the book may get delayed indefinitely," Alyson says. "But it won't. If anything, this just makes me all the more determined to see it in print."

At last report, a printer had finally been found.

## NGTF rep to address Hi-Tech Gays

Peter Fowler, member of the Board of Directors of the National Gay Task Force will speak and answer questions at the April 8 meeting of High Tech Gays.

High Tech Gays is a professional organization of Gays in the high tech businesses in the Santa Clara Valley. The group meets monthly for social and business functions. They have invited Fowler to address their Sunday, April 8 meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Fowler is one of three members of the NGTF Board resident in the Bay Area. He is currently completing work on his Law Degree from Golden Gate University, and is co-chair of the Gay students group at there. Fowler has been a member of

the Alice B. Toklas Club, active in Lawyers for Individual Freedom, and serves on the Board of the National Educational Foundation for Individual Rights based in San Francisco.

The High Tech Gays meeting will be held at 1486 Ormsby in Sunnyvale (off Chiyenne, near Hollenbeck) and is open to any and all interested persons.

Non-members may join the meeting; all are encouraged to bring something for the potluck supper at 6:30 p.m., preceding Fowler's talk.

For information on High Tech Gays call Rick Rudy, President, at (408) 255-6128, or write H.T.G., P.O. Box 6777, San Jose, CA 95150.

## New Roberti Bill Proposes AIDS Health Research

Sacramento — Sen. David Roberti (D-Hollywood) announced early this month the introduction of legislation to establish programs to study the health of those at highest risk of contracting Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Senate Bill 2244 also would provide state technical and financial assistance to local agencies offering services for people with AIDS.

The new bill follows up Roberti's bill last year, SB 910, which established programs of education for AIDS high risk groups, for health care professionals and for the general public.

State funding for approved educational programs will continue through the end of the current fiscal year.

"Efforts must continue in AIDS education," Roberti said, "but we must expand our efforts in the areas of research and patient services as well."

An advisory committee established by SB 910 will assist the Department of Health Services in its continuing AIDS-related programs.

The advisory committee consists of individuals appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, by the Speaker of the Assembly, and by the Governor.

"The Department of Health Services received requests for funding for AIDS-related programs totalling over \$2 million for the current fiscal year," said Roberti, who is also Senate President pro Tempore.

"Only \$500,000 was provided for these programs in the state budget. Careful attention will be given to state funding for AIDS research, education, and patient services in the next few months as the budget is examined by the Legislature."

The new bill, SB 2244, would establish a statewide toll-free number which physicians could use to obtain the most current information regarding AIDS diagnosis and treatment.

Toll-free general information and resource referral lines were established in Southern and Northern California through the 1983 legislation.

The toll-free number for resources in Southern California is 1-800-922-AIDS. In Northern California, the resource number is 1-800-FOR-AIDS.

"To combat the growing number of reported cases and deaths from AIDS, we must coordinate with AIDS-related programs of the federal government, as well as share information from other states, local governments and public health agencies," Roberti said.

Co-authors of the new legislation include Sen. Milton Marks, R-San Francisco, Sen. Art Torres, D-Los Angeles and Assemblyman Burt Margolin, D-Los Angeles.

In California, there have been 940 reported cases of AIDS since record keeping began a few years ago. There have also been 317 AIDS-related deaths in the state in that time.

## Bakersfield Gay Rights Activist Announces For Congress

Francis Serra, a Gay rights activist from Bakersfield, has announced his candidacy for the 20th Congressional District of the State of California.

Serra opposes Republican Bill Thomas, a consistent opponent of Gay/Lesbian civil rights legislation.

Serra, a Democrat, is pro-Nuclear Freeze, pro-ERA, pro-Choice, and supports USOCA. His candidacy will measure voters' willingness to support an openly Gay candidate who supports these issues.

When asked about the uphill battle Serra faces against the big money accumulated by the incumbent, Serra responded, "Money wins some elections, that's true. In America hard work and determination win some also!"

Stating that separate but equal is never equal, Serra reasons that only by joining the mainstream will Lesbians and Gay men fully realize their civil rights and be accorded the community services that most straights take for granted.

Serra believes that Lesbians and Gay men must mainstream where they live and work. Running openly Gay/Lesbian candidates for office rather than always relying on non-Gay friends or closeted Gays to carry the issues is a means to this end.

"Of course, campaigns can be supported from the closet. As long as we're out, why not run? If we keep running candidates we're bound to win. Even when we lose, there is a positive benefit

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## MURPHY'S MANOR

by Kurt Erichsen



Mag, here's something I wish you'd explain. To take the 'men' out of 'woman' you get 'Womyn', and 'Womans' and 'Wimmin'.

What's it all about?



On the other hand, 'Wimmin' means, 'We're feminist, so let's play softball and drink some beer.'

Wait. Here's another one: 'Wmn.'



Well, 'Womans' are to the right of Fashionably Liberal. 'Womyn' insist on having their own specs, while 'Womans' mix with men provided they're anti-nukes.



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## French-American Poet at Stanford

The distinguished French-American poet, critic and translator Edouard Roditi will give a reading at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, April 12 in History Corner 205 on the Stanford campus. The event will be sponsored by the Gay and Lesbian Alliance at Stanford as part of its Spring Speakers' Series.

The poet will present a selection from his published work, as well as unpublished love poems from his forthcoming volume, *A Private Life*.

Born in Paris in 1910 of an American father and a British mother, Roditi has always retained his American citizenship.

He attended primary school in France before going on to public school and Oxford University in England.

In 1929, Roditi left his studies of Greek and Roman classics to return to Paris, where he associated himself with the Surrealist movement.

He became a partner in Editions du Sagittaire, the publishing house that issued numerous important Surrealist works, including Andre Breton's *Surrealist Manifestos*.

Roditi moved to the United States in 1937. The following year he took a degree in Romance Languages at the University of Chicago. Then he went on to graduate studies there and at the University of California at Berkeley.

During World War II, he worked in the French Shortwave Broadcasting Unit of the United States Office of War Information, and as a translator for the Departments of State and Defense.

After the War, Roditi served as a multi-lingual interpreter for the United Nations Charter Conference in San Francisco, before returning to Europe to work as a simultaneous interpreter on a free-lance basis for numerous international conferences and organizations, including the International War Crimes Tribunal at Nuremberg.

The Poet currently makes his home in Paris.

Roditi has been active as a poet, critic and translator since 1928.

Among his many volumes are *Poems for F.* (1936), *Oscar Wilde* (1947), *Poems 1928-1948* (1949), *Dialogues on Art* (1961), *Prose Poems: New Hieroglyphic Tales* (1968), *Emperor of Midnight* (1974), and *Thrice Chosen* (1981).

A further volume of art criticism and interviews, *More Dialogues on Art*, appeared this year.

Roditi's collected love poems, *A Private Life*, will appear from Black Sparrow Press in Santa Barbara later this year or early in 1985.

Roditi is currently at work on his autobiography and is living in Woodside, California, where he has been appointed a Fellow of the Djerrasi Foundation for March and April.

An extensive interview with the poet appears in issue 392 of *The Advocate* (April 1, 1984).

Roditi's reading at Stanford will mark his sole planned public presentation during his current visit to the Bay Area.

For more information, call the Stanford Gay and Lesbian Events Tape at (415) 497-1488.

## BAKERSFIELD

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to the Gay and Lesbian community," Serra stated.

In Bakersfield, the New Political Strategy is having positive effects for the Lesbian/Gay community. Representatives are now being invited to join in civic affairs.

For example, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development appointed a representative from the Gay/Lesbian Coalition to sit on its Community Housing Resources Board in Bakersfield; the Coalition is invited to official Mayor's dinners and is on City Hall's mailing list; the MCC is a member of the Council of Churches in Bakersfield. Lesbians and Gays are working with other civil rights groups in forming coalitions to secure a fair housing board and a civilian police review board.

Despite local gains, the Bakersfield Gay and Lesbian community remains largely closeted in an environment that is perceived to be hostile. Because of this, the Committee to Elect Francis Serra for Congress is asking for all the support it can get—if the form of letters of support, time, energy, and money.

Serra supports campaign reforms. He has stated that for this reason he is asking for individual contributions of \$7.22, which is 1% of the mandatory campaign costs for a congressional race.

For further information, contact: Committee to Elect Francis Serra for Congress, Box 10961, Bakersfield, CA 93389; or call (805) 831-5034.

## Roberti announces AIDS Committee appointments

Sacramento—Sen. David Roberti, D-Hollywood, made two appointments to the AIDS Advisory Committee to the State Department of Health Services.

The AIDS Advisory Committee was established by Roberti's Senate Bill 910, which became law on January 1, 1984.

Appointee Sal Rosselli of San Francisco is the business representative for Hospital and Institutional Workers Local 250. He is a member of the Board of Directors, San Francisco AIDS Foundation and serves as labor representative on Mayor Diane Feinstein's Task Force on Health Benefits for City Workers.

Rosselli has been active with the lesbian and gay community in San Francisco for several years. He is the current president of the Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club, which is the largest gay Democratic club in California. He was recommended for the position by Sen. Milton Marks, R-San Francisco.

Appointee Stan Hadden has been bringing the concerns of AIDS-related agencies to the Legislature and to the Department of Health Services since early 1983. He is a member of the Board of Directors, Sacramento AIDS Foundation and has done extensive work with the lesbian and gay community organizations to share AIDS information and resources.

Hadden assisted the Department of Health Services in Re-

writing a 1983 proposal so that agencies providing AIDS-related services could compete with county health departments in the state's AIDS grant funding process. He has been active in a number of gay organizations in Sacramento since 1978. He serves on the staff of Roberti, who recommended him.

The advisory committee will work with the Department of Health Services until July 1, 1986. Appointments by the Speaker of the Assembly and by the Governor to the Committee have not yet been made.

The committee will work closely with AIDS-related agencies throughout the state, as well as the AIDS Task Unit within the Department of Health Services.

*It Must Be 1984 Dept: The North Carolina legislature is considering making it legal to serve a homosexual a drink in that state. Cheers!*

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## On the "STRIP"

by Richard Calmbacher

Everyone agreed, it was a huge success. The St. Patrick's Day Hawaiian Fantasy sponsored by the newly formed San Jose Bar Association and the Watergarden definitely was a success. All the members of the Bar Association and the Watergarden were pleased at the turnout over St. Patrick's Day weekend.

Over 35,000 contest forms were filled out. Unfortunately there could only be one winner. That winner was Richard Valdez. He received his winning ticket at Mac's Club and was at Buck's when his name was drawn. Ecstatic is the only way to describe his reaction. He said he was going to go out and celebrate.

Valdez's trip includes round trip air fare on Northwest to Honolulu, seven nights at the Aloha Surf Hotel, a Pearl Harbor cruise, a car rental and of course, the traditional flower lei greeting. We hope he enjoys his visit. By the way, Richard, I am available to go if you don't have anyone else in mind. If not, please send me a postcard.

The St. Patrick's Day festivities began March 14th at

cess there are plans in the making for a trip for two to Reno for the Gay Rodeo and later a trip for two to New Orleans for Mardi Gras.

For seven bars, 2 restaurants and the Watergarden to join forces and put an event like this on; it took lots of planning and time. But the results were fantastic. You will definitely see more similar to this.

## OTHER NEWS

Academy Awards Nite, April 9th at Bucks, Main Street, Mac's Club and Toyon. Easter Sunday you can find an Easter Egg Hunt at Buck's with prizes for the best hunters. Main Street will have an Easter Bonnet Contest at 6 p.m. \$50 for 1st prize and \$25 for 2nd place. \$25 for most original hat. Everyone who enters gets a prize also. April 8th, Herman Greigo presents a Birthday Party for "Diane," 8 pm at Main Street. Over 100 guests are expected; join them in the festivities. Buck's will be celebrating their 4th anniversary April 27/28/29. CASA's Investiture will be held April 14th at 2pm at Toyon. Are



(top) Jack and Jim who decorated themselves for St. Patrick's Day and (lower) Dennis, bartender at Main St. photos by Rich

the Watergarden and the fun escalated as the weekend began with the final drawing Sunday, March 18th at 8 p.m. I haven't seen that much excitement on the Strip since the Mayor's contest back in October. The energy level was really high and contagious. I was up partying all night Saturday and fading fast Sunday morning but everyone around me was in such a great mood; I regained the spirit and continued till midnight Sunday.

Some highlights of the weekend included a leather contest at the Boot Rack, the Sisters of Cochina in their finest mood habits, Polynesian dancers at the 641 Club, a Red-eye pool tournament at the Renegades, the Gay Men's Chorus at Main St., Square Dancing at Buck's and great food at Broadway and David's.

All the employees worked extra hours and added that special touch that makes events like this a success. Many thanks to them. Also, congratulations to Richie at Mac's Club who won \$200.00 since he was the employee who gave out the winning ticket to Richard Valdez.

Since the event was such a suc-

cess you ready for this? An upcoming meeting of the Bar Association soon to be attended by Mayor Tom McEnery, Councilwoman Susan Hammer and San Jose Police Chief McNamara. I'll keep you posted on this one.

## News/NORTH

Force 5 will have an open meeting at the Whiskey Gulch on April 15th from 12 to 3 pm. The Whiskey Gulch will have its Junior/Senior Prom on May 12th. This one is an event not to be missed. It was far more fun than my prom back in 1977???. May 13th, Mother's Day Hat Contest sponsored by Force 5 at the Whiskey Gulch till 5 pm. Cash prizes for best hats.

## Back Home

You are invited to the 8th anniversary of my 29th Birthday at Main Street on April 10th at 8 pm. This is my second Annual Aries Party with lots of surprises for everyone. Join me in celebrating this day. At my age, there may not be many more. You are encouraged to come in costume for this party.

## The Real Estate Advisor

## Goosetown Gazette

### How to read "for sale" ads

It has come to my attention lately that we have been getting far too serious—so let's have some fun.

I'm sure you've all looked through "for sale" ads at one time or another; here's a little guide to help you interpret what those headings and phrases really mean.

**WILLOW GLEN DOLLHOUSE:** It's bigger than a breadbox, but not by much. This is just the place for you, if you don't own any furniture.

**WALK TO SCHOOLS AND SHOPS:** Of course you can walk to shops; the house is on Stevens Creek Blvd. and the "shops" are right next door.

**NEEDS TLC:** You might think this stands for Tender Loving Care; actually, it's a chemical that explodes upon impact, allowing you to start over.

**FIXER-UPPER:** Probably more like a faller-downer. If they admit in the paper that it's got problems, you can be sure it's a disaster.

**INVESTOR'S DREAM:** Equals Tenant's Nightmare. The person who buys this is going to be a slumlord preparing for the sequel to Yentl, called Rental.

**OWNER SAYS SELL!!!:** Well no kidding. How may sellers do you know who *didn't* want to sell? Has to be the dumbest headline in the ads.

**NOTHING DOWN:** And nothing left over either. The down payment may be zero, but,

somehow, the "closing costs" add up to \$10,000.

**HURRY! WON'T LAST:** Does this mean the deal, or the house?

**STOP PAYING RENT:** And get quickly evicted from your apartment. Why pay 1/4 of your income for rent, when you can pay 1/2 of it for a mortgage.

**VIEW:** Of the people next door, emptying their trash over the fence, into your yard.

**CHARMING OLDER HOME:** Was probably built around the time Columbus came over from Spain. Look for tell-tale signs like rats with arthritis, or an old-age home for cockroaches.

**HAS CHARACTER:** So does the Hillside Strangler, but would you want to live with him?

**REMODELED HOME:** The owner painted it.

**COUNTRY KITCHEN:** Yeah, but what country?

**PARK-LIKE BACK YARD:** Are the weeds *that* big?

**SHOWS LIKE A MODEL:** Unfortunately, once the owners move their furniture, paintings, sculpture, piano and plants out, you're left with the same dump they lived in.

**LOADS OF POTENTIAL:** This house is such a dog, you can hear it "woof" before you get out of the car.

**A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH:** See above.

**ROOM TO GROW:** Mushrooms, lichen, moss, algae-

Next Time: What happens to the house when the romance fades?

## In the Offing

by Ron Schmidt

### Inspiration

If you agreed with *Our Paper's* March 7 commentary that "the Gay experience must move out of the bars, the dining rooms, the shelf of the bookstore and into the mainstream for all people to relate to," then you will be heartened by Theatre Rhinoceros' announcement that award winning director Chuck Solomon is transforming the intimate basement theatre, Studio Rhino, into alternative performing space that will provide precisely that kind of opportunity. Until the concept roots in the Valley of Heart's Delight (Let's work on it!) this very real need creates one more reason for jaunts to The City. Dialing (415) 552-4100 will put interested persons *In Touch* with Solomon.

### Invitations

To audition are on the wire from The West Valley Light Opera Association at Saratoga Civic Theatre, April 7-8, for the Musical revue, Rodgers and Hart. Performances June 23-July 28.

### In The City

From April 11 through May 19, Theatre Rhinoceros presents Lanford Wilson's *5th of July*, an eight character, "contemporary American-Folk tale that," according to director Joe Cappetta, "profiles not only one of the more anguished generations of our times, but the generations before and the one that followed."

### In the Interest

Of the written work KSN's Randy Alfred will host Robert Ferro, author of *The Family of Max Desir*. Discussion will cover fathers and sons, the position of



they'll all grow here! **QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD:** There hasn't been a murder here in nearly 6 months. Let's face it, any neighborhood is quiet at 4 am.

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**PRINCIPALS ONLY:** No teachers allowed. Usually put out by Realtors who are too embarrassed to let other agents see the place.

**OPEN HOUSE:** Now's your chance to go see what the neighbor's house looks like inside, hee, hee!

**E.Z. TERMS:** Something like 5 to 10 at San Quentin.

**STEAL IT:** See above.

**SPANISH HACIENDA:** Has wrought iron bars on the windows—makes you wonder what the neighborhood is like.

**ONE OF A KIND/ONE IN A MILLION:** Thank God! there aren't more!

**PRICED TO SELL:** To an idiot. No one else would buy this place.

**SEPARATE DINING ROOM:** It's so separate, it's in the garage.

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the Gay couple in the extended family, and Gay literature. Numbers you need: April 8, 6:00 AM, 95 FM.

**In Contrast**  
With the compelling real world drama of *Nuts*, San Jose Rep's next production stages Richard Brinsley Sheridan's 18th century comedy of manners, *School for Scandal*, April 12-29.

**In a Pinch**  
The Schola Cantorum (mentioned elsewhere in this issue) presents a choral/Orchestral program of work by Berlioz, Brahms, and Sasha Matson. That's April 14. In the Same Space the next night, Irving Berlin gets top billing with *Annie Get your Gun*. More contrast...

**In the Vein**  
Of beautiful dance, mark your calendar for San Jose Dance Theatre's April 20-21 *Sleeping Beauty Ballet*. Musical director Robert Welton of Liedermann Chorus plays the king. Speaking of which...

**In Its Inception**  
Women's Chorus, 30 strong and growing, rehearses Saturdays 11:00-12:30 at Billy DeFrank Community Center. Director Kathy Tapp bartered with Gay Fathers for use of a real-live U-Haul truck to transport a piano to the center in exchange for garage sale items. That's cooperation!

**In Conclusion**  
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## Let's Call the Whole Thing Off

by Rick Rudy

"In and Out of Love... Again" is San Jose Rep's first foray into cabaret style entertainment and a rather unpolished and under rehearsed thing it is. Playing upstairs at the Eulipia Restaurant in downtown San Jose, the production, made up of love songs from the 30' and 40s, features four singers (but only one-and-a-half performers), and a three piece combo of bass, percussion and sax. Many in the audience seemed bored.

The only real entertainer of the lot is Vincent Sorcenelli who has a most animated face and engaging stage personality. He has a lovely baritone and makes the most of the repetitive nature of the score.

Lee Kopp has a pleasant voice and charming smile. He moves well but doesn't radiate enough energy. Both he and Sorcenelli are elegantly dressed in black tuxedos.

Kalie Rae is paired with Sorcenelli in the "plot" of the review. Her voice is full and strong, but her songs lack emotion or focus. Her outfit is frumpy and ill fitting which is surprising since her biography credits her with a strong background in costume design.

Kathryn Nymoens is Kopp's partner and is the weakest of the four. Her voice is adequate, but she is ill-at-ease, out-of-synch, and looks like a scared cat. Her extremely unbecoming dress does nothing to improve her performance. She is a millstone around the neck of the show.

The direction by Richard Dubin is dubious at best. Some of the songs are performed fully, some are abbreviated to a single line or two, and some have agonizingly long orchestral passages which leave the singers wandering about aimlessly.

The choreography by David Lemos picks up the show, but is unevenly executed.

Everything but the music being performed appears in the single sheet program. Most of the audience is too young to remember these songs except as fragments, and the absence of song titles and composers is sorely felt.

Lots more rehearsing and tighter teamwork is necessary for this show to hold together. Otherwise, in the words of the song, "lets call the whole thing off."

The production's present run is scheduled through April 7 with a three weekend return on June 1.

Review

## "Nuts" crackles at Rep

by Rick Rudy

Imagine you have been arrested for manslaughter. Are you fit to stand trial or are you "nuts"? This is the theme of Tom Topor's 1980 drama "Nuts" now being given a fine performance by the San Jose Repertory Company at the Montgomery Theatre.

"Nuts" takes place in a courtroom in the psychiatric wing of New York's Bellevue Hospital. It is a play with considerable emotional impact and the cast is uniformly excellent in its taut portrayal. Topor has crafted this drama with considerable humor which prevents this from being a rather depressing look at how people with the best of intentions often go astray.

Christianne Hauber plays the patient Claudia Draper who is being evaluated for fitness to stand trial for manslaughter. She gives a vibrant performance, and her graphic description of her life as a prostitute gives this show its "mature audience" rating. OUR PAPER readers likely will be more amused than shocked, however, by her "abominable acts."

Tom Ramirez plays Claudia's defense lawyer Aaron Levinsky with ruthless gusto. While his cross examinations rake the others over the coals for their "morality," he displays little of his own. Ramirez is a fine and versatile actor and holds the audience in the palm of his hand.

Nani Kirk as Rose and Wes Finlay as Arthur, Claudia's mother and stepfather, make very believable their bewilderment over Claudia's life-style. They genuinely want Claudia to be "cured," but we see that they easily have as many "problems" as she has. Who, then, can presume to judge another's behavior? This is the play's central theme.

Robert Hirschbeck is the court-appointed psychiatrist who is positive that Claudia is a paranoid schizophrenic and therefore dangerous to herself and society. He wants her locked away. Hirschbeck gives a solid and convincing portrayal.

Charles Martinet as District Attorney Franklin MacMillan and Gale Engle as Judge Murdoch handle their unemotional roles well, except that one occasionally has trouble hearing them clearly.

The play speaks eloquently to any person who is being judged unfit by society for whatever reason. The parallel to gays being so judged and needing to be "cured" is unmistakable, although perhaps not intended by the author.

The direction by Peter Buckley is tight and clean and rarely lets the actors over-play their emotional speeches. The set by Vicki Smith is coldly bureaucratic, very realistic.

San Jose Rep has come up with another hit, and too short a run even at nineteen performances. The show closed April 1.

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## Pool Tournament

The South Bay Eight Ball League completed its third season on March 14, 1984.

This year there was a three team race in both divisions until the last month when it narrowed down to a two team race.

HMS was involved all season with the Daybreak I in a very close race. The Daybreak I team featured the top three winners in the North Division.

Linda Creatore lead both leagues in all four categories. She posted the league high of 39 wins.

The position round was typical of how the whole season went. HMS barely beat out the Daybreak I team by 8 to 7. The last match went down to the last two balls.

In the South Division the Daybreak II team lost its match 9 to 6, but they had a big enough lead to win the division by 3 games.

One more match either way and even the Boot Rack could have edged into first in the last week.

The North Division Winner is HMS.

The South Division winner is Daybreak II.

The Championship series is two out of three, and began on March 20, 1984 at HMS at 7:30 p.m. (The winner's name was not available at press time.)

The second match will take place on April 4, 1984, 7:30 p.m. at the Daybreak bar on El Camino in Mountain View.

If necessary the third match will be held at HMS on April 11, 1984 at 7:30 p.m.

The two teams are playing for an additional \$500 for the winner, and the right to host the banquet.

The South Bay Eight Ball League will begin its preliminary

### South Bay 8-Ball League Final Standings

#### NORTH DIVISION

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2nd Daybreak I	216	99	635
3rd HMS	224	101	659
4th Bucks	73	162	215
5th Desperados	138	132	406
6th Garden	192	123	565

#### SOUTH DIVISION

7th Answer	143	137	421
8th Renegades	126	139	371
9th Daybreak II	210	105	618
10th Cruiser	207	103	609
11th Main St.	144	141	424
12th Boot Rack	197	118	579

rounds in mid-July through August. The league will start up in late August or early September. Four new teams will be added to the present eight. These four teams will be the ones with the highest percentage in a three week competition.

Any bars interested in joining the league should call Mark Lopez at (408) 259-2829.

## Sunnyvale Summer Rep

*Five Finger Exercise*, by Peter Shaffer, is a blend of humor and tense drama revealing the struggles of an English couple attempting to hold their troubled family together.

Sunnyvale Summer Repertory Theatre is a city sponsored program designed to present professional quality theatre to the residents of the South Bay. SSR has earned the continued support of the city due to its successful season last year.

The success, in part, was due to the participation of well-known directors such as Bill Ball, Janice Garcia-Hutchins, Will Huddleston, and Gayle Cornelius; as well as such respected Bay Area actors as Sidney Walker, Tom Ramirez, and Charles Martinet.

Nancy Bolgard, Performing Arts Coordinator for the city of Sunnyvale, says that 1984 ticket-holders can expect high quality entertainment by accomplished actors and directors in the new season.

In addition to a longer season and beginning later in the summer, SSR will also offer a new Preview Night series this season. The Preview series will be held on Wednesday and Thursday nights before each play's opening night.

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as "I love you," "You love me,"  
"We love each other."

**TAURUS (April 21-May 20)** A  
special bond that unites you with a  
man you work with could bring un-  
expected satisfaction and pleasure.  
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crucial: say what you need to say  
when you need to say it, and be very,  
very sincere.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21)** You  
should be able to channel what often  
seems to be "crazy" energy into  
something very solid and lasting.  
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could simply be a new opening that's  
just the thing to spur you on to bigger  
and better objectives.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22)** Alas,  
this is no time for foolishness. You're  
asking yourself some of the most  
basic and important questions: the  
answers you find are based on main-  
taining a balance between a tumultu-  
ous outer world and whatever  
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your partner.

**LEO (July 23-August 22)** Keeping a  
secret is not the same thing as telling a  
lie. As a protective device, being  
secretive about something very im-  
portant may serve you well now. Both  
you and your partner by benefit and  
fly away? Drive away? Sail away?

**VIRGO (August 23-September 22)**  
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different loves in your picture: one  
offers you something humorous and  
lasting, yet full of idle pleasures. The  
other presents you with a serious look  
at your deepest self, a place and face  
beyond desire.

**LIBRA (September 23-October 22)**  
The other person that you are and the  
person whom others see now bear lit-  
tle resemblance to one another. You  
may be overreacting to a situation  
over which you have no control. Ac-  
cept this fact and return to being the  
well-balance Libra that you know  
and love.

**SCORPIO (October 23-November 21)**  
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**SAGITTARIUS (November 22-  
December 21)** Fun and games time  
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**CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19)**  
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**AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18)**  
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position and try to invade your life so  
completely as to cause real problems.  
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**PISCES (February 19-March 20)**  
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Tom Rolfsen, accompanied by his longtime lover Chal Cochran, turned up very much alive to picket at the Marriott Hotel last month, sticking to his atheist guns. Photo by Ted Sahl

## COORS APPEAL

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Tony Tiano, KQED president and general manager, said at time of the auction that "while we don't like to lose underwriting support, no amount of money is worth the possibility of danger to the several hundred volunteers coming to the Cow Palace to assist in our auction."

The station returned the \$13,000 to Coors upon the cancellation. Wallace and Sickler hotly denied Coors' charges, with Wallace saying that what the station was "really afraid of" was bad publicity. "We never advocated a boycott of KQED or made any threats against it," he said. "What we did was to urge the viewers to donate to KQED, but also to express their sentiments about Coors."

Wallace asserted that "it would be foolish and counterproductive for us to advocate any violence against either Coors or the station. Their (Coors') charges about this are ridiculous," adding that Coors lawyers were "absolutely livid at KQED for cancelling 'Coors Day'."

Sickler, reached at the AFL-CIO's Los Angeles office, told GPA that KQED and Coors "reached an agreement to put the blame on the union" for the cancellation.

Sickler called Coors' appeal and second lawsuit "just a continuation of harassment against us . . . It's my belief that the suit was frivolous on its face; that it is peripheral to their main objective — to frighten off community support for the boycott."

Marcia Burzon, an attorney representing Wallace, Sickler and Solidarity, commented that she and her clients have not ruled out the possibility of filing a countersuit against Coors, charging the brewery with harassment.

"At this point, we haven't given much thought about doing that, but we may employ that (countersuit) in the future," Burzon said.

In a press conference on the day after the Rocky Mountain News article was published, William Coors charged that the newspaper had "irresponsibly" misquoted him as saying that blacks are inferior.

"I did not say it, and I do not believe it," he said. "I want to apologize to all Adolph Coors Company employees and to the entire community of Denver — and in particular the black community around the world for the misunderstanding of my remarks."

But as talk mounted of a black boycott of Coors — and after a Denver TV station said it had a tape of his speech — William Coors issued a second statement, acknowledging that "some of my statements to the Minority Business Development Center seminar . . . conveyed a meaning I did not intend."

"For my unfortunate choice of words, I sincerely apologize," Coors continued. "In hindsight, those statements demonstrated a lack of sensitivity . . ."

John Meadows, director of community affairs at the Golden, Colorado brewery, told GPA that William Coors met with local black leaders March 15 to discuss his speech in-depth.

Meadows quoted a story in the March 17 issue of the Rocky Mountain News as saying that the Rev. Langston Boyd, pastor of Shorter Community AME Church in Denver, "characterized the meeting as 'cordial' and that he and the other black leaders who attended the meeting 'were impressed by Mr. Coors' sincerity.'"

Boyd was concerned that a boycott by the black community "would be an angry overreaction that wouldn't accomplish anything," Meadows said.

His comments were confirmed by Samuel Tidmore, executive vice-president of Operation PUSH, who told GPA from PUSH headquarters, in Chicago that "we chose to develop an economic covenant with Coors, rather than a boycott, because Mr. Coors did choose to apologize and wished for us to sit down with him before we took any action."

Sickler, however, said that William Coors' remarks "are a revelation of what Bill Coors' feelings really are. I mean, you're talking about a company that did not hire blacks prior to the 60s, fought against civil rights legislation, fought against affirmative action, fought against unionization, is financing the anti-gay Far Right, and now in 1984, Bill Coors is making racist remarks."

## AGENDA

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tinue its support for women's concerns.

- Full participation of Gay men and Lesbians must also be a goal—within the (Democratic) Party, within the next administration, and also within new and continuing government programs. Access to government programs, for individuals or groups, cannot be restricted on the basis of sexual orientation.

Apuzzo concluded the Gay/Lesbian community's presentation by observing that "as this committee tours the country . . . you will be meeting a diverse, organized, and committed Gay and Lesbian community—one that is far stronger than the one you met in 1980, and one that is determined to be a full and equal partner in the political process in 1984."

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## Gay Atheist Founder Alive & Well

San Francisco — Pranksters recently sent out a bogus news report announcing the death of Thomas Rolfsen, founder of the Gay Atheist League of America (GALA).

The report, which was published in the Feb. 16 issue of The Sentinel, stated that Rolfsen had asked for a priest to deliver last rites before dying of a liver ailment.

"Perhaps I should tell the public that I have been miraculously resurrected," laughed Rolfsen when he read the news of his demise.

"This is just one more incident in a long series of harassments directed against myself and the GALA organization. I'm used to it by now."

Rolfsen, 70, founded GALA in 1978 to provide "a forum where Gay and Lesbian atheists could meet and exchange and disseminate ideas."

The group works to remove the stigma that it feels religion places

on Lesbians and Gays, and to promote "the complete and absolute separation of state and church."

While Rolfsen holds no official position in the organization now, he still volunteers much of his time in dealing with the group's correspondence and helping to publish the bi-monthly magazine GALA Review.

"I'm pleased with what the organization has accomplished," says Rolfsen. "The San Francisco Chapter, especially, is an inspiration with its educational outreach and DIAL-AN-ATHEIST telephone messages."

"Nationally, we are attracting more and more members and are stronger than ever before. The Gay Atheist organization in Washington, D.C., "GAWD," has recently decided to become affiliated with our group."

"So, you see, it will take more than my death to put an end to GALA. Anyway, I want everyone to know that I'm not dead. I'm still kicking!"

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