Apuzzo to return to government service

New York — The Board of Directors of the National Gay Task Force announced last week that Virginia M. Apuzzo, executive director of NGTF, will be leaving the organization in mid-April to assume a position in New York state government.

In announcing Apuzzo's resignation, Board co-chairs Frances Hanckel and Paul Vandenberg said, "Ginny Apuzzo has worked tirelessly for two and a half years, strengthening NGTF and representing the lesbian and gay community nationwide as NGTF's chief spokesperson. "Her record of accomplishments is unparalleled. While we will miss her daily leadership, she leaves NGTF more effective than ever, with ongoing programs of proven success, administered by highly dedicated and professional people."

"We are delighted that Ginny has the opportunity to do something that is both good for herself and valuable to our community," Vandenberg and Hanckel added. "Her return to government is a logical extension of a career that has been devoted to public service and education." The Board will shortly begin a nationwide search for a new executive director.

To assure an orderly transition, Jeffrey Levi, NGTF's Washington representative, will serve as acting executive director after Apuzzo's departure, until a permanent successor is chosen.

Apuzzo said that personal family concerns had played a considerable role in her decision to accept a position in Albany at this time.

"I am convinced that the staff and programs in place at NGTF will assure that the organization remains the most articulate voice for gay and lesbian Americans," she asserted.

"I pledge to find every opportunity to further the success of NGTF, and I ask my colleagues and friends throughout the gay and lesbian community to do the same."

S.F. HRC opposes government surveillance

San Francisco — Consistent with its opposition to bathhouse closure, the Human Rights Commission issued a resolution opposing government surveillance of consensual sexual conduct in bathhouses and sex establishments.

The unanimous vote occurred at its Jan. 10 meeting and was based upon a recommendation by the Lesbian/Gay Advisory Committee.

The resolution states the Commission's opposition to the use of government regulation of consensual sexual conduct as a basic infringement of civil liberties, the use of funds for such surveillance, and the expenditure of City funds before proper appropriation.

They directed the $50,000 allocation for such activity in the recently approved AIDS supplemental.

The money was spent prior to appropriation of funds and the Department of Public Health is proposing to continue surveillance with additional cost to be incurred.

WHEREAS, the AIDS epidemic is of such a serious and costly nature as to require the appropriation of every available dollar for necessary care, research, and education; and

WHEREAS, $50,000 was spent by the Department of Public Health (DPH) in its surveillance effort to close the bathhouses without prior appropriation of funds and the DPH is proposing to continue surveillance with additional cost to be incurred; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the HRC is opposed to the City and County of San Francisco's use of surveillance regard the private consensual sexual conduct of adults in bathhouses and other establishments; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Human Rights Commission strongly supports all necessary funding for the research and education of the causes of AIDS and on the best means of preventing the spread of AIDS and the best care of those who have AIDS.

Benefit Premiere of The Times of Harvey Milk

A benefit San Jose premiere of the movie, The Times of Harvey Milk, will be held for BAYMEC (Bay Area Municipal Elections Committee) on Thursday, Feb. 14 at Camera One, 366 South 1st Street, San Jose. Cost is $10 per person.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m., with the film playing at 8:00. A reception will follow.

The movie is a documentary on the late San Francisco Supervisor Harvey Milk, slain by assassin Dan White in 1978. It has won critical acclaim and has been nominated for an Academy Award in the category of Best Documentary.

Proceeds of the special screening will go to BAYMEC, a political action committee working for Lesbian/Gay civil rights in Santa Clara, San Mateo and Santa Cruz counties.

The movie begins its regular week-long run on Friday, Feb. 15. For reservations and further information on the benefits, contact BAYMEC at (415) 996-7043.

Resolution Opposing Government Surveillance of Consensual Sexual Conduct in Bathhouses and Sex Establishments in San Francisco

WHEREAS, health professionals cite types of sexual behavior and not location as causative factors in the transmission of AIDS; and

WHEREAS, governmental regulation and surveillance of private, consensual sexual conduct between adults is a basic infringement of civil liberties; and

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MCC

The fifteenth anniversary of the ministry of Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches in the Bay Area will be celebrated on Saturday, Feb. 23 with a worship service at Grace Cathedral at 4 p.m.

Rev. Troy Perry, moderator of the Board of Elders of MCC and founder of the church, will be the featured speaker.

A dinner dance is scheduled at the Golden Cane Holiday Inn in San Francisco for 7:30 p.m., preceded by a no-host bar at 6:30 p.m.

In 1970, several former members of the "Mother" church in Los Angeles and some San Francisco people met at Jackson's Restaurant in San Francisco for a worship service, according to an MCC press release.

This service resulted in the founding of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches in the Bay Area.

Since its founding in Los Angeles in 1968, the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, with its special outreach to Lesbian and Gay Christians, has spread throughout the world.

Churches in the Bay Area can be found in Diablo Valley, Hayward, Marin County, Oakland, Redwood City, San Francisco (two churches) and San Jose.

For information on tickets for the dinner/dance, contact Elder Michael Mark at (415) 648-6006.
Gay lovers on trial in Wall Street Journal case

By Morgan Pinney

The importance of gay relationships is figuring prominently in one of the most closely watched court cases in America.

Winans is not being prosecuted for stealing information from the National Gay Rights Advocates. Instead, he is being prosecuted for using that information to profit from the often dramatic profit from the news of the day, enabling them to undertake the scheme with Peter Brant, even though he knows he was placing his entire career as a journalist in jeopardy.

It's a novel legal approach according to Leonard Graff of the National Gay Rights Advocates. The two men wear wedding rings and sit closely together in the courtroom. Their relationship is being described as a "spouse" who did not plan the crime.

Winans sought Carpenter's assistance and compassion as any man might ask these things of a "spouse." But at first blush, it might appear that Winans's "love" was a "spouse" who did not plan the crime. They have remained together despite the pressure of the trial focused on them since the story broke in early 1984.

One close friend, Lucia Valdez, former director of the National Gay Task Force, says it is obvious that they have not gotten the courts to grant spousal immunity to gay people. Under the most respectful of terms.

Winans is being prosecuted for stealing information from the National Gay Rights Advocates. Unsolicited manuscripts for the Wall Street Journal...
**To Frank with Love**

By Ted Sizer

I am not writing about drug questions even though this problem is very serious. However, I am writing about the possible solutions. It seems that these solutions have to be found in the communities where the drug problems are located. It is also important to note that the solutions are not just for the young people but for all people in the community.

With these thoughts, I wish to share some ideas that I have come up with recently. I believe that these ideas can help to solve the drug problems.

- **Community Involvement:** It is essential to involve the community in finding solutions. This can be done by organizing community meetings and discussion sessions where residents can share their views and ideas.
- **Education:** Education about the dangers of drug use is crucial. Schools and community centers can play a significant role in educating people about the consequences of drug use.
- **Support Systems:** Creating support systems for people who are struggling with drug addiction can help them to overcome their challenges. This can include support groups, counseling, and other forms of assistance.
- **Employment Opportunities:** Providing employment opportunities for those who have struggled with drug addiction can help them to become productive members of society.
- **Law Enforcement:** Law enforcement agencies can play a role in enforcing drug laws and providing a safe environment for residents.

I hope that these ideas can help to address the drug problems in our communities. It is important to work together to find solutions that will make our communities safer and healthier.

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**A Message from Shanti Project, SF**

Recently, a group of women concerned about the availability of services to those living with AIDS in San Francisco started a new project, Shanti Project, with the goal of providing services to the AIDS community. The project has grown to include a variety of services, including crisis intervention, counseling, and support groups.

As the AIDS crisis continues to evolve, Shanti Project is committed to providing support and resources to those affected by AIDS. The project is looking for ways to expand its services and reach more people in need.

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**Human Rights PAC undertakes major survey**

**Washington, D.C. — The Human Rights PAC is about to undertake a major survey of the scholarly community to examine its political participation and influence.**

The survey, to be conducted through the mail, will include almost 50,000 faculty, administrators, and students who have received our educational efforts. The survey will examine the political participation and influence of the scholarly community.

The survey will measure the number of political contributions made by the scholarly community, and the amount of political influence that the scholarly community has. The survey will also examine the political participation and influence of the scholarly community in the past and present.

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**An Interview with Hubert Kennedy**

By Aja Ralch

In a recent interview, Hubert Kennedy discussed his work and his views on the current political climate. Kennedy is a long-time activist and has been involved in many progressive causes over the years.

Kennedy spoke about the importance of mobilizing people to take action on social issues. He emphasized the need for unity and solidarity among progressives.

Kennedy also discussed the need for a strong political organization to fight against the right-wing agenda. He called for a renewed commitment to organizing and mobilizing people for social change.

Kennedy ended his interview by reminding people of the importance of staying involved and engaged in the struggle for social justice.

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Valentine Messages

As long as our love is strong and our thoughts are as one, we will always be together.

Your Wife

I love you more than words can say. You make every day Valentine's Day for me.

Lori

If we can get through the first year, we can get through all the rest... together.

Peter

Life wouldn't be the same without you. Thank you for sharing your life with me.

Sandy

My forever mate Marilyn:

I love you with all my heart as you grow more beautiful, capable, and lovable each day. I am so happy and so fortunate and so pleased to have finally found you.

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Additionally, we’ve found that our own needs and interests are often reflected in the books we’re interested in. For instance, we might want to read about a new love affair because we’re in the middle of a love affair ourselves. Or we might want to read about a new business venture because we’re thinking about starting a new business venture ourselves.

In the end, we’ve found that books are a reflection of our own lives and interests. And so it’s important to choose books that reflect our own lives and interests. Only then can we really enjoy reading and gain something from our reading.
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