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H.T.G. CALENDAR

**JULY 10**      **REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING** Sunday evening at 6:30 pm will be held at Rick & Steve's house, 19846 Beekman Place, Cupertino (see map). This will be a pot luck supper followed by a business meeting. PLEASE bring a dish to share; we will provide plates, glasses, ice, & soft drinks.

**JULY 15**      **THEATRE PARTY** Friday evening to see a production of "SLY FOX", a comedy by Larry (M\*A\*S\*H) Gelbart, based on Ben Johnson's "Volpone", and featuring our own Rick Rudy in a leading role. Bring \$5.00 with you for each ticket to the Sunday July 10 meeting, or call Richard at (408) 961-8764 for reservations. The show will likely be preceded by a social supper and/or post show libations.

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

\*    Appologies to those of you who had mail returned to you from our Post Office Box address. The Post Office screwed things up, but they now are straightened out and we WILL be receiving our mail properly at the P.O. Box.

\*    Enclosed is a Membership Application. If you have not already done so, please fill it out and return it as it gives us more demographic information than our previous LGAES form. If you are a new member, enclose your dues; if you are already paid up, so note at the bottom. THANKS ! (Remember we are a young group and without your paid dues we will be unable even to mail out the newsletter!)

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## MINUTES OF JUNE 12 MEETING

Sixteen members were present for the H.T.G. meeting at Roger and Tom's house on June 12. The meeting began with a discussion of the upcoming San Jose Gay Pride Rally (June 19). Raven reported that tee shirts were ordered for booth personnel (@ \$7.00); that we would hand out literature on H.T.G. and have a mailing list sign up sheet; that a banner was being made for the booth; and that Jim offered to make buttons. A list was circulated and people signed up to man the booth.

A discussion followed on what the group would like to accomplish in the long run. One suggestion was to develop a list of social action items and form committees to pursue them. Another idea was to remain essentially a social group, meeting together for picnics, outings, etc., until some particular concern galvanizes us into some political action. More to follow at the next meeting.

A Social Committee was established with Richard as Chairperson and Tom, Denny and Raven as members.

A Newsletter Committee will be formed to assist the Secretary in writing, editing, typing, copying, and mailing.

The next meeting will be at Richard Doitteau's on June 10 [later ammended to Rick and Steve's house].

Denny Carroll,  
Secretary

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## REFLECTIONS ON THE RALLY

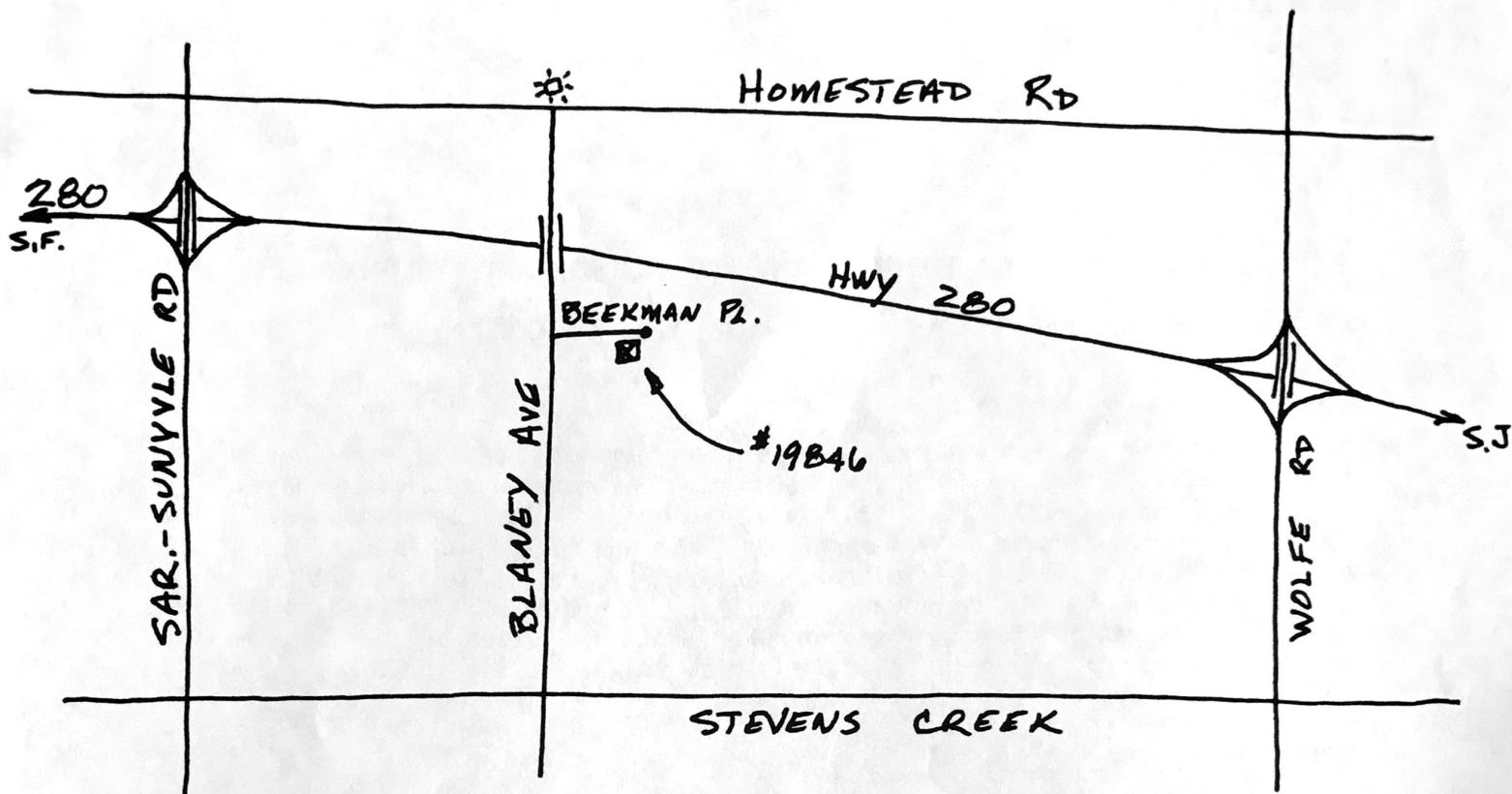
The 1983 San Jose Gay Pride Rally, held in St James Park on Sunday, June 19, was a tremendous success. The organizers had planned well (they provided booths for everyone), the weather was beautiful, and the crowd large and friendly.

It was especially gratifying to work the H.T.G. booth and find such a large number of people who stopped by to pick up literature (for themselves or for a friend), sign our mailing list, or just to chat about their company or job. Most didn't know H.T.G. existed. Most seemed extremely pleased to find that we do! Over 80 people added their names to our mailing list in five hours. Some even paid their dues on the spot!

To me it proved what I had thought: that gay people are looking for ways to contact their fellow gays and relate to each other professionally. And that leaves us with a challenge. How to make the reality of H.T.G. meet the expectations of all of you who signed up at the Rally, and, of course, those who have been members previously.

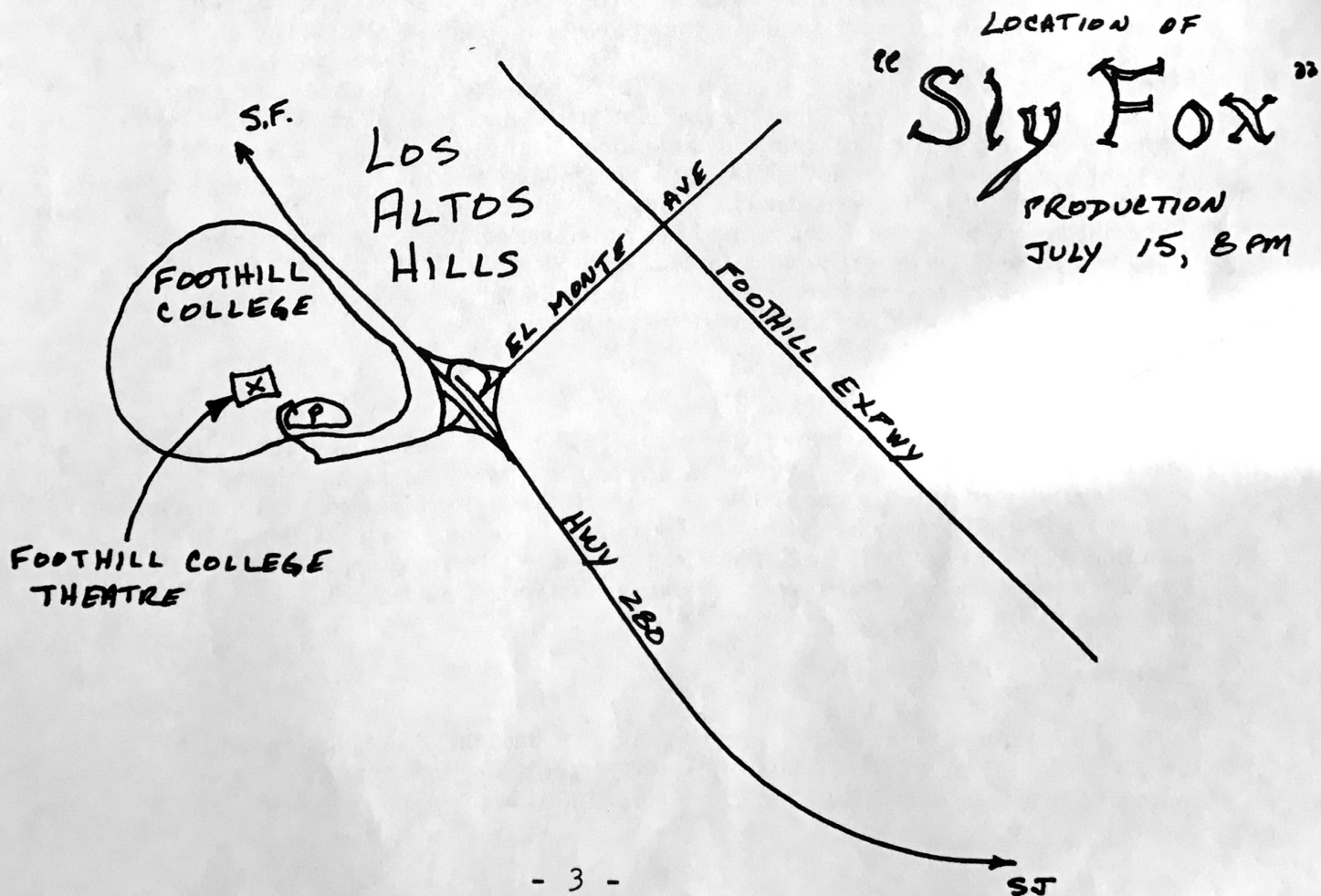
Our newly formed Social Committee has already got a theatre party organized, and more events will surely follow. I would like to see us take on the challenge of educating our own employers on the need for equal opportunity policies for Gays, and liberating the workplace so that any of us who wish to do so may come out on the job without fear. What do YOU want H.T.G. to accomplish? Your destiny is in your own hands.

-Rick Rudy



LOCATION OF  
JULY 10  
MEETING

RICK & STEVE  
19846 BEEKMAN P.  
CUPERTINO (408) 255-6128



LOCATION OF  
"Sly Fox"  
PRODUCTION  
JULY 15, 8 PM

FOOTHILL COLLEGE  
THEATRE

(Reprinted from the June LGAES newsletter)

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## **CIA DENIES GAY MAN A SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR PRIVATE INDUSTRY**

### **Out-Front Gay man Faces Yet Another Battle for Access to U.S. Gov't Classified Info**

#### History

Dick Gayer has long been out-front about his homosexuality, and currently identifies himself as a Gay man with two California "Environmental" License plates: "GAYGUNS" and "GAYLIB2". In 1970 the Department of Defense suspended his Secret Clearance because he was openly Gay, and this caused him to lose his job with GTE Sylvania (Mt. View, CA) as an electronics engineer. After years of litigation, he regained his employment with this company in 1979 and (after protracted delays ordered by the homophobic Mr. Ike Toler of the Defense Security Clearance Office in Columbus, Ohio) obtained a Secret Clearance in 1981 (which he continues to hold).

#### The Present (CIA) Problem

In August 1982, Gayer was assigned to a project wherein the identity of the customer ( some agency of the U.S. Government ) was not disclosed to him. The project manager submitted an application on Gayer's behalf for a "need to know" certain specially classified information, but he never received a response. Subsequently, Gayer submitted Freedom of Information/Privacy Act requests to the "Industrial Security Agency" ( name uncertain, address unknown) and to the Defense Investigative Service (Wash., D.C.). The former was submitted thru William Pretto ( a "security office" employee of GTE in Mt. View, CA (415) 966-2066), but was returned by Gerald Cuffe (966-2052). Response was refused. The latter request brought a one-inch thick package of documents discussing various aspects of Gayer's homosexual activities and related civil rights work, together with a computer printout revealing disclosure of this package to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) at its request on 13 September 1982 for Security/Suitability Investigations. From 25 to 27 May 1983, Gayer sought information from Denise Edwards and her boss Larry R. Strawderman of the CIA's Information and Privacy Division in McLean, Virginia ((703) 351-2770), but got the traditional bureaucratic run-around. (Denise Edwards did confirm their receipt of my request from the Defense Investigative Service.)

#### Conclusion and Action

The CIA has effectively denied Gayer's access to its classified information by refusing for over 9 months to rule on his application. This news release is currently being circulated among Gay activists for a determination of appropriate strategy. While no plan has yet been formulated, we can say that it will involve as much publicity as can be afforded to expose the CIA's cowardly discrimination against another Gay person and otherwise maximize public awareness of CIA policies and practices.

#### Significance

Several agencies of the U.S. Government are presently delaying and denying security clearance applications of Gay persons in order to induce private contractors to fire them. Stay tuned for future developments!