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H.T.G. CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 4 *DREAM GIRLS THEATRE PARTY* at the Golden Gate Theatre in San Francisco (corner of Golden Gate, Taylor and Market streets) in conjunction with BWMT. Tickets are \$30.00 & we'll meet at Steve & Steve's, 611 Burnett Ave #19, S.F. (415)282-4391. Make reservations with Bill (408)277-0644 (or Denny at 292-6475) by Jan 28.

FEBRUARY 12 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and potluck dinner, 6:30 pm. *** WE ARE HOPING FOR A REPRESENTATIVE FROM SENATOR ALQUIST'S OFFICE TO ATTEND *** so don't miss this meeting! Bring a dish to share to Bill's house: 839 Villa Ave #3, San Jose (408) 277-0644.

FEBRUARY 18 or 25 WHALE WATCHING TRIP leaving from Halfmoon Bay (or Monterey). 2 1/2 hour narrated tour run by the Oceanic Society. \$16.00 needed at the Feb 12 Meeting.

MARCH 2,3,4 SKI/CASINO TRIP to south lake Tahoe (rescheduled from Jan 28). See inside for details.

MARCH 11 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and potluck supper, 6:30 pm, location to be announced.

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

* If your membership code number has a Y or S in it, you are paid up and in good standing!!! BUT if there is an N or M, we could use your support in the form of membership dues and regular attendance at our meetings!!

* Elections for President, Secretary and Treasurer will be held at the April 15 meeting. Want to run? Call Rick.

MEETING MINUTES OF JAN 8, 1984

Thanks to John and Vince for being gracious hosts of the largest meeting of HTG yet: 47 attendees!

Richard led a discussion of the ski/casino trip (see notes elsewhere) and Myrna joined the Social Committee.

Bill reported that he represented us and BWMT at the Oakland city council meeting that adopted that city's Gay Rights ordinance. We also received a letter thanking us for our support.

Discussed the fact that the Billy DeFrank Community Center can be designated for donation on your United Fund pledge card at work!

Passed around brochures from NGTF, which everyone found interesting.

Reviewed letter sent to local State Reps and Senators to ask their support for AB 1. Will try to arrange a face to face meeting with some politico for the Feb 12 meeting.

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SKI/CASINO TRIP

We were forced to re-schedule this trip to the weekend of March 2,3,4. Richard Doitteau is running this event and the costs are likely to be: Bus \$30.; Room \$40. per person, 2 nites, double occupancy; ski lift tickets \$20./day (optional). Money needed for bus and hotel at the Feb 12 meeting. Call Rich at (415) 964-7335.

DREAM GIRLS

HTG members Steve De Simon and Steve Wilholmson have generously offered their home for a before and after the theatre socializing spot. We will meet at their house, 611 Burnett Ave #19, S.F. (415) 282-4391, at 12:30 pm for drinks, then car pool down to the theatre for the 3pm matinee. Then back to their place after the show. See the map on page 4.

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PATRICK IN ARABIA

Dear High Tech Gays:

Help! I'm an exile from San Jose on assignment here with a turnkey software and computer facilities management multinational company headquartered in Cupertino. I also have an MS in Computer Science and am saving up to return for my PhD.

Please send me any info on HTG and, if possible, please print this letter in your newsletter. I would really like to hear from fellow "hitex" while I'm stranded here in the desert.

Patrick Summerville
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Some brief notes on Silicon Valley companies from our members:

SIGNETICS has not got a conducive atmosphere for gays. Most of the management is old world, conservative Mormon. Being in the lower eschelons of fab manufacturing or sorting is not a problem, but chances of advancement are slim. No blacks or women are in the highest levels of management. The president has a 1950's mentality and management style, even though he has implemented some new techniques.

ATARI has lots of gays, and though disorganized, the atmosphere is friendly. A number of the former management of Atari are gay and brought in quite a few others before the big layoffs.

AMDAHL has lots of openings in software and manufacturing. Please call Dave Martenson (408) 746-7754 for info.

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From The Advocate, Issue 386, a story of real interest:

John Green, who describes himself as a conservative Republican, has been a respected, promotion bound, electronics engineer and department head involved with highly classified projects for the Federal Govt at TRW in Redondo Beach. During a routine security check on his male roommate and lover, also a TRW employee, Green volunteered some personal information that he thought had been common knowledge for years among his friends and colleagues: his homosexuality.

Three weeks later the CIA ordered Green's security clearance suspended resulting in the loss of access to 90% of his department's projects as well as his managerial position.

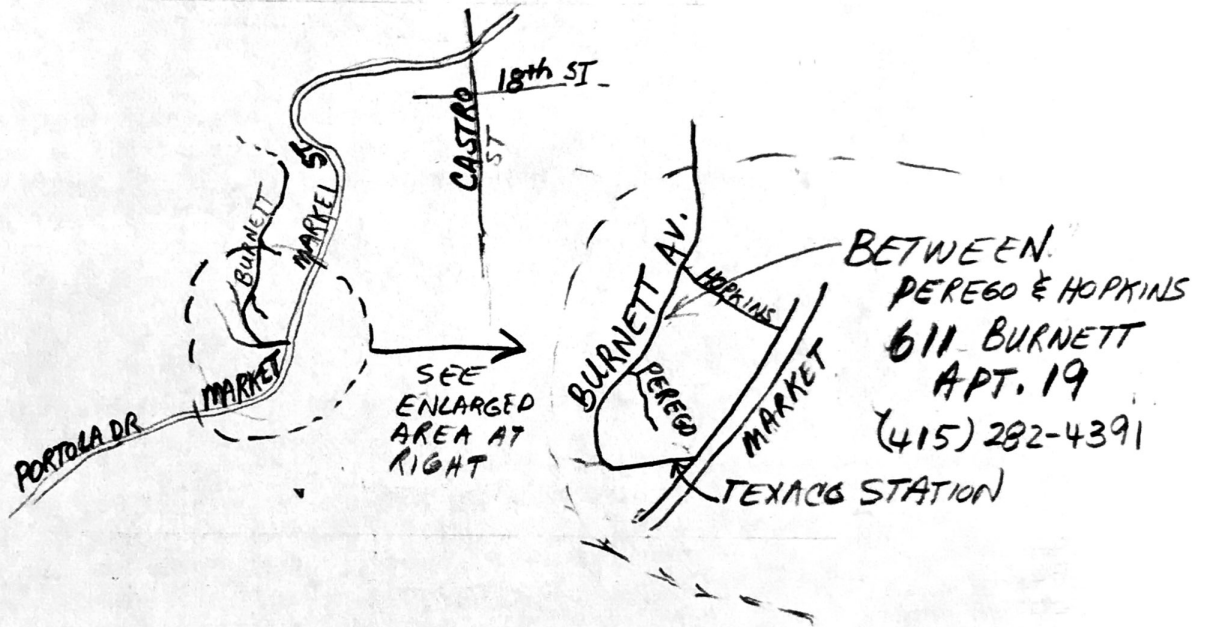
Last November, Green filed suit in a Los Angeles Federal District Court against the CIA in an effort to overturn its practice of denying homosexuals top security clearances, and to have his own clearance reinstated.

"For a very long time, many of us have been waiting for the perfect case with which to test this dishonoring situation. That case has finally arrived" says David Goodstein in an Advocate editorial. "Green needs money to pay his court costs and legal fees. I urge you to join me in sending a large donation."

Send contributions to American Association for Personal Privacy, P.O. Box 91974, Long Beach, CA 90809. Mark your check "John Green Defense Fund." Donations are tax deductible.

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- MAP TO STEVE'S PLACE IN SAN FRANCISCO -



- MAP TO BILL'S HOUSE IN SAN JOSE -

