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H.T.G. CALENDAR

APRIL 8 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and potluck supper, 6:30 pm at Brad Nemeth's house 1486 Ormsby, Sunnyvale (see map). THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL MEETING !! MR. PETER FOWLER OF NGTF WILL ADDRESS THE GROUP AND ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT NGTF AND ITS CURRENT ACTIVITIES. There will also be election of HTG Officers. Bring a dish (preferably a MAIN DISH) to share. We will start promptly in order to allow Mr. Fowler as much time as possible.

APRIL 20 "FIDDLER ON THE ROOF" THEATRE PARTY. Our own Rick Rudy will be conducting this performance of this ever popular Broadway show. We'll meet at 7 pm at the Golden Mushroom Pizzeria on Cox Avenue (see map) for light refreshments, then around the corner to the Saratoga Civic Theatre for an 8:30 curtain. Tickets \$7.00 available at the April 8 meeting, or by calling Rick at (408) 255-6128.

MAY 13 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and potluck supper. We will be discussing HTG's booth at the San Jose Gay Pride Rally, and possible participation in the San Francisco Gay Freedom Day Parade, June 24. So hold the date open; location will be announced in the next newsletter.

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WHALE WATCHING AND ROUGH SEAS

On March 24, twenty-two hardy HTG members and friends met at the Shore Bird Restaurant at Half Moon Bay for brunch (not too smart!) and boarded the 'Pillar Point III' for three hours of whale watching.

The sea was extremely rough all afternoon, but that didn't deter the two whales which were observed on their migratory swim to distant shores. The watchers, however, turned purple, grey and green as the ship heaved. Dramamine sales were brisk and all were glad to disembark at 5 pm and sit at a steady table for some hot coffee.

Much thanks to Arthur Regan for organizing this exciting outing!

## MINUTES OF MARCH 11 MEETING

The plea for main dishes (instead of so many desserts) was heeded and the dinner was excellent! A large cake, for Rick's birthday, was sufficient dessert for everyone. Much thanks to Jim and Pat for hosting us all (approx 45 attendees) at their beautiful house.

A discussion was held on how best to influence Governor Deukmejian to sign AB 1 into law. A flier giving his address and phone number was passed around. Hand written letters are felt to be more influential than duplicated type letters.

Wayne Herriford extended an invitation for an HTG representative to speak at a gathering of Hewlett-Packard employee relations people on March 26. Rick Rudy was unanimously elected to be HTG's rep.

Mention was made of HTG joining the National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals (NOGLSTP). It was agreed to spend the \$25. to become a Supporting Organizational Member.

Elections for HTG Officers were announced for the April 8 meeting. A motion was made and seconded to establish a Nominating Committee to select a slate of candidates for presentation to the membership. After some discussion the motion was withdrawn. Nominations for each Office will be accepted from the floor, discussed, and voted upon on April 8.

Rich Doitteau reported on the excellent Ski Weekend at Tahoe, March 3-4. Special thanks were voted to Rich for his hard work in organizing the event.

Arthur Regan gave out information on the upcoming Whale Watching excursion off Half Moon Bay set for March 24 at 2 pm. Cost only \$10. per person.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

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### DEUKMEJIAN PICKETED BY HTG AND OTHERS

On Saturday, March 17, the Californian Republican Party held its nominating convention in the Marriott Hotel in Santa Clara. Gay pickets chanted and carried signs outside the hotel protesting Deukmejian's veto of Bill AB 1. Rick Rudy represented HTG at the rally carrying a sign reading "Keep Bigots and Bigotry Out of the Governor's Office." Other signs read "Nuke the Duke," "Curb Your Dogma," and "God Loves ALL People."

Approximately thirty-five picketers from San Francisco and the South Bay marched from 9 am until 11 am garnering more media coverage than the convention itself (a rubber stamp for nominating Reagan/Bush). TV coverage appeared on the 6 o'clock news on Channel 4 and in print in the S.J. Mercury and S.F. Examiner.

More picketing is promised wherever Deukmejian appears to continue to put pressure on him to respect Gay voting power.

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## H-P BARS GAY SPEAKER

As reported above, in the Minutes, HTG was invited to speak at a conference of Hewlett-Packard employee relations personnel on March 26. On Wednesday March 14, Wayne Herriford, who was organizing the conference and who extended the invitation to speak, was told by his superiors that since Deukmejian vetoed AB 1, Gays were no longer an issue, and a gay speaker would not be welcome. The invitation was withdrawn.

HTG will mount a campaign to educate Hewlett-Packard upper management that Gays are still employed there and need safeguards from prejudice. More to follow.

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## ELECTIONS COMING AT APRIL 8 MEETING

Elections of HTG Officers will be held at the April 8 meeting and it is important that all members attend! The Officers (President, Secretary and Treasurer) are responsible for overseeing the day to day affairs of the group, keeping bank accounts, writing and mailing newsletters, arranging activities, running meetings, etc. and it is important that you all participate in choosing the right people for these jobs.

Only PAID MEMBERS will be allowed to vote - but it will be possible to pay up at the meeting and be eligible for the voting.

We may also be voting on updating out Bylaws IF WE HAVE ENOUGH PAID MEMBERS PRESENT. So please plan to attend!!!

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S.F. Sunday Examiner & Chronicle Mar. 18, 1984

# Duke hails Reagan, rips Hart; gays picket GOP convention

by Jim Wood  
Examiner staff writer

Ignoring about 20 gay protesters picketing outside, Gov. Deukmejian gave the Republican state convention a rousing preview of the 1984 presidential election yesterday.

The governor's speech began with the declaration that, "There's no question in my mind we will win in 1984."

The Dixieland band waiting in the wings tooted in, the GOP faithful began whooping and it was 15 minutes before calm was restored.



But outside the Marriott Hotel, separated from the convention by security guards, picket John Wahl of San Francisco was making some political observations of his own.

Around him in orderly procession, marched demonstrators protesting Deukmejian's veto of Assemblyman Art Agnos' bill banning most job discrimination because of sexual orientation. "We want the Republican Party and Deukmejian to know that there are consequences to treating us as if we did not exist," Wahl said. "We've been in this fight for decades, and the governor is going to be facing us on this bill again and again and again until someone signs it."

"By conservative estimate, we are 10 percent of the people of California and therefore 10 percent of the voting public. If the Republican Party is against us, then we will withhold our votes. If gay men and lesbians had known in November that Gov. Deukmejian would do what he did, Mayor Bradley would be our governor today."

Wahl recently announced his candidacy for San Francisco.

Security at the hotel was so tight that Wahl and the other demonstrators did not know that Deukmejian was at that moment taking the stand to speak. People entering the lobby were required to identify themselves before admission and those attending the convention ignored the pickets outside.

"I didn't even know they were there," said Mary Berg of

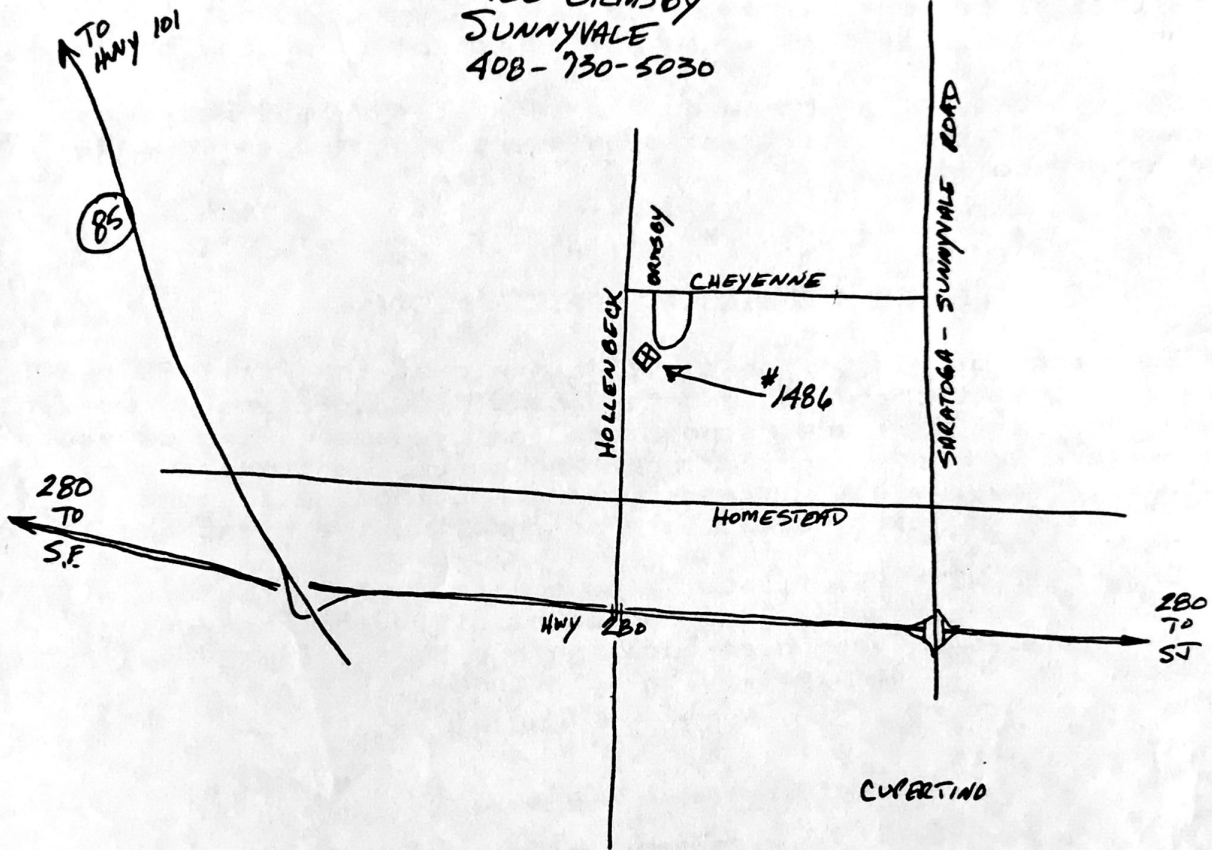
Rancho Palos Verdes. "I liked what the governor said about the Reagan-Bush campaign and reapportionment. I think he made a terrific speech."

Besides listening to the governor and ignoring the pickets, the Republicans conducted committee meetings, held

workshops on nuts-and-bolts subjects like cc: finances, and bought souvenirs. One stand sold messages like "Women make terrific leaders, ing one now" and "Republican Women turn price was \$10.

HTG APRIL 8 MTG. 6:30 PM

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