



NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 1985

**HIGH TECH GAYS**

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### H.T.G CALENDAR

- FEB 3 ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING - 7:00 PM at Don Nelson's home (835 Morse Avenue # 18, Sunnyvale) - For more info or directions call Don at 408/734-8616.
- FEB 3 WOMYN MEMBERS CAUCUS MEETING and pot-luck supper will meet at 5:00 PM at Myrna Johnson's home (2030 Main Street # 4, Santa Clara). The group will discuss "what to discuss" and hopefully help our womyn members become more active in HTG. FFI call either Marcia Randall (408/287-6240) or Myrna (408/248-5099).
- FEB 4 PABAC MEETING - 7:30 PM at Roger Biery's home (320 Auburn Way # 4, San Jose) - For more info or directions call 408/554-9592.
- FEB 5 "WHITE SHIRT DAY" - Get your white shirts "out of the closet" to help make our minority more visible. Check the Mercury News and other media for more information.
- FEB 10 "THE WORD IS ART" - Poetry and prose readings by gay and lesbian authors of their own work is scheduled for 2:00PM at the No View Gallery (750 North 9th Street, San Jose). This event is sponsored by the Arts Council of Gay and Lesbian San Jose. Admission is free.
- FEB 10 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and pot-luck supper will be held at 6:30 PM at ROLM (2900 Old Ironsides Drive, Building 2, Santa Clara - see the attached map for details). Mike Morris, Secretary & General Counsel at ROLM will be our guest speaker. Mike will discuss his experience in getting ROLM to adopt a non-discrimination policy for gay employees. Thank you Mike! This is our first meeting not held at a member's home; so there are some differences. Please bring serving utensils (eating utensils will be provided). Also, ROLM has a rule that consumption of alcoholic beverages is limited to a one hour period. We have selected from 7:00 to 8:00 PM for this purpose. You may wish to bring nonalcoholic beverages instead for this meeting. Let's show ROLM our sincere appreciation by being model guests! Also, thank you to John Angel for making these arrangements.

- FEB 16-18 SKI WEEKEND II in South Lake Tahoe - Enjoy a three day weekend (Happy Birthday George) of skiing and other fun at the luxurious Ridgewood Inn, a gay resort (with hot tub, of course). Accomodations are \$35.00 for two nights based on double occupancy and include continental breakfast and "Entertainment Package" coupons. Lift tickets for either Echo Summit and Sierra Ski Ranch are \$25.00. The group will car-pool to and from the south bay. FFI contact Jay Raley at 408/224-4441.
- FEB 19 PABAC MEETING - 7:30 PM at Roger Biery's home (320 Auburn Way # 4, San Jose) - For more info or directions call 408/554-9592.
- FEB 23 THEATRE RHINOCEROUS' "THE A.I.D.S SHOW: Artists Involved with Death and Survival". Two special benefit performances are scheduled for 2:30 and 8:00 PM at the Campus Christian Center (North 10th Street at San Carlos in San Jose). Tickets are \$10.00 with all proceeds being donated to AIDS-related causes. Rick Rudy will have tickets for sale at the next regular monthly meeting on Febraury 10.
- MAR 3 ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING - 7:00 PM at Dale Benjamin's home (1235 Wildwood Avenue # 185, Sunnyvale) For more info or directions call Dale at 408/720-0417.
- MAR 10 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and pot-luck supper - 6:30PM - Nominations will be taken at this meeting for election during April's regular monthly meeting.
- MAR 17 TACTILE DOME TOUR and Exploratorium - Private group tours are scheduled for 10:15 AM and 12:00 PM. The cost is \$4.50/person. Group size is limited to 20 people. Exploaratorium tickets are \$3.00 at the door. FFI or to make reservations contact Dale Benjamin at 408/720-0417 or see him at the regular meeting.
- MAR 22-24 YOSEMITE SKI TRIP - We have reserved five deluxe cabins (that's right - indoor plumbing); each with two rooms, sleeping a total of 20 people. The cost is \$30.00 for both nights. Downhill and free cross-country skiing are available, as well as other activities. FFI or to make your reservations contact Eric Lipanovich at 415/964-4171 or see him at the regular meeting.
- MAR 10 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING and pot-luck supper - 6:30PM - Annual Election of officers - don't miss this one!
- MAY 4-5 MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM TOUR and overnight stay in beautiful Monterey. The expected cost is around \$50.00 for the weekend, exclusive of meals. FFI contact Richard Doitteau (415/964-7335).
- MAY ??-?? WHITEWATER RAFTING in Cache Canyon and side trip to Russian River saturday night and sunday. Please bring your questionnaires to the next meeting. FFI contact Pete Conroy (408/296-0461).

## MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 13 MEETING

Thank you Ray Lahore for hosting a record-setting 96 people at his house!

A special welcome was given to our newly active womyn members. We hope to see this trend continue. (See more details in the calendar on a special caucus of womyn members.)

Eric Lipanovich reported on Activities Committee events. Those currently scheduled are listed in the calendar. Meetings will be held the first Sunday of each month.

Roger Biery then reported on the status of PABAC's project to encourage local employers to adopt pro-gay employment policies and practices. More details are given below.

Dick Gayer summarized the current status of our class action suit with DISCO. He also discussed the events which are likely to occur in the near future and their associated costs. An account will probably be established to accept contributions to this cause. A full report is given below.

### Bear Valley Ski Trip

The weather was great. The company was great. Nearly two dozen of our members had a fantastic time. (Except for Denny - he couldn't get his camera to work when he needed it most!) Some of the group, tired of skiing, took a side trip to Moaning Caverns. What does one do in Moaning Caverns . . . guess!

### JOBS...JOBS...JOBS...

Alan Stephenson, while currently employed, is seeking an Industrial Design position in a more stable corporate environment.

### Hewlett-Packard Responds - Greg Gloss

Hewlett-Packard has responded to the request to include sexual orientation in their equal opportunity statement by saying that although current policy only explicitly references areas required by law, the policy is all-inclusive and that discrimination of any kind should be reported and appropriate action will be taken.

Although this statement is less than what was requested, it does open the door for discussions to take place where current practices are not aligned with this statement.

(Greg has shown extraordinary courage and unselfish devotion in leading this campaign at HP. Your efforts help us all. Thank you Greg and our other HP members for your contribution to gay rights!)

**PABAC Progress**

PABAC has contacted most of our member's employers and other major employers in Silicon Valley. We have obtained the name of the manager responsible for personnel policies in each company. Our plan is conduct a campaign of letters and personal contact to encourage these companies to adopt non-discrimination policies concerning sexual orientation. Please assist where you can by providing assistance and input. We plan to maintain complete discretion, protecting the identity of our members.

**DISCO SUIT UPDATE**

- Rick Rudy

Our suit against the Department of Defense DISCO took a turn for the better recently when Judge Samuel Conti refused to take over the case from Judge Henderson. Had Judge Conti taken the case, he probably would have dismissed it out of hand, requiring us to go through the various appeals procedures.

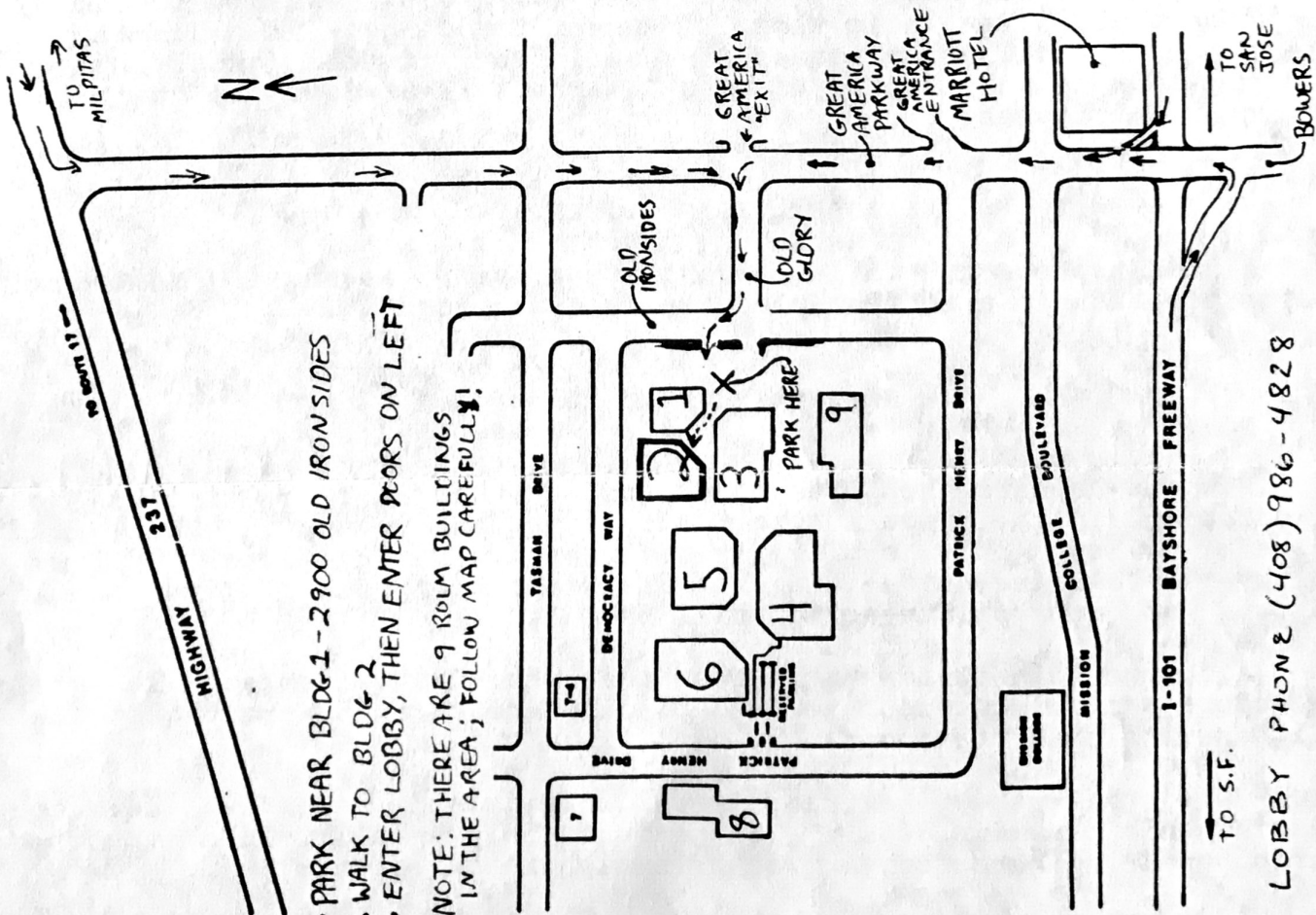
As it stands now, our case will get its first hearing on monday February 4 at 10:00 AM in the San Francisco Federal Court Building. At that time, the US Attorney will move for dismissal and Judge Henderson will hear arguments from both sides.

Interested HTG members are welcome to attend the hearing.

**THE WAY TO ROLM - SANTA CLARA**

2900 OLD IRONSIDES DR

BLDG 2 - FEB 10, 1985 6:30 PM



- PARK NEAR BLDG 1 - 2900 OLD IRONSIDES
- WALK TO BLDG 2
- ENTER LOBBY, THEN ENTER DOORS ON LEFT

NOTE: THERE ARE 9 ROOM BUILDINGS IN THE AREA; FOLLOW MAP CAREFULLY!

TO S.F.

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