

Julie Dubbs Case Against CIA Settled

by *Don Nelson*

In a victory for all gays and lesbians, the CIA has agreed to reconsider the application of Julie Dubbs, the SRI International employee who was refused a clearance because she is a lesbian, without regard to her sexual orientation.

Though the settlement is not binding on other cases and includes no admission of wrongdoing, Dubbs' attorney, Dick Gayer, says the agency will have to treat other homosexuals the same

way or face similar legal action. "It would be a violation of equal protection rights," Matt Coles, the American Civil Liberties Union attorney who is representing High Tech Gays in the pending suit in support of the Dubbs case has advised that it will not be necessary to file the case. He has asked that anyone who feels he or she has been denied a clearance by the agency and requires one to stay employed should contact him at (415)621-2493.

March With HTG in San Francisco

The HTG contingent for the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Celebration, 1991, will meet on Spear St. between Folsom and Howard at 10:00am on Sunday, June 30th. The parade begins at 11:00am.

Wear your HTG T-shirt or sweat-shirt (remember, this is San Francisco and not the balmy South Bay) and show your pride. See you there!

HTG Meeting: Wayne Herriford Speaks of Trip to China

By *Chris Clarke*

The speaker for our June 9th meeting and potluck was Wayne Herriford, a professional in the health care industry who develops management training programs for dealing with AIDS in the workplace. Wayne travelled to mainland China in 1990 with a group of 140 health care professionals,

to observe and share information on the treatment and prevention of AIDS.

Wayne brought an extensive slide collection with him, which emphasized how different the culture of China is from the Western world, and served to explain some the ironies of health care in China. China's medical system is based on prevention, ancient treatments, and an unrestricted pharmacy, but the prevention of HIV infection consists of a topical salve, and distribution of condoms is nearly non-existent.

Chinese officials report HIV testing of 300,000 people, with only 500 showing HIV positive. And this out of a population of 1.5 billion people! Of the 500, 488 were IV drug users, only 5 were diagnosed with AIDS.

"Homosexuality," said Chinese officials, "is illegal". Officials attribute the low rate of sexually transmitted diseases to the arrest and "re-education" of all prostitutes in the 1970's.

The repressive nature of the government was more evident. Wayne interviewed only one man who would only privately admit to being gay. Nightlife in China's cities, consisting of Western style discos, prohibits admission to foreigners for fear of infection.

Where cultural isolation from the West may have spared China from rate of HIV infection so far, a lack of sanitation procedures will ultimately bring disaster. Wayne observed street vendors practicing acupuncture with common needles and no sterilization, and even dentists who did not wash dental works or tools.

The presentation was a fascinating view of the disparity in the attitude toward AIDS between our society and the Chinese.

HTG Marches in San Jose's First Gay and Lesbian Parade



Photo by HTG Member, John Bessire

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South Bay Gay Sierrans & HTG

The newly formed South Bay chapter of the Gay and Lesbian Sierrans is inviting all HTG members to participate in an 8 mile hike at Castle Rock State Park in the Santa Cruz Mountains. This park has many impressive natural features, such as waterfalls, large rock outcroppings, dense forests, and incomparable panoramas.

Bring lunch and liquids and meet at the DeFrank Center at 9 AM to sign in and form car pools. Those up the peninsula should meet at the Park and Ride (Page Mill Rd. and highway 280) at 9 AM. Both groups leave promptly at 9:15 AM. Estimated return time is 3 PM. This is a popular destination with limited parking facilities at \$5 per car, so carpooling is highly advisable.

If you have questions, please call either Mike Zampiceni (408) 734-1565 or Paul Schoemaker (415) 321-0803.

Dues Increase

Higher rent for the monthly meetings, increased mailing and printing costs for the newsletter, and additional tax burdens have all conspired to force us to impose the first ever increase in dues since HTG was formed over eight years ago.

Regular annual membership dues will increase to \$30 and Student membership to \$12.

The rate increase will take effect August 1st so if you are thinking of joining or your membership is becoming due, now is the time to take advantage of the old rates.

We will also be implementing a Domestic Partner membership plan with details to be announced at the next regular monthly meeting.

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And in July...

... just a little dancin'. The Jus' Country Cloggers will bring their special brand of country western dancing to the July HTG meeting and show us their stuff. If you missed them at "A Gay Evening in May" or the San Jose Pride Celebration, then here's your chance. And if we play our cards right, maybe Kenny will teach us a line dance or two so don't forget your s..t stompers!

And for August...

... a picnic in the park. We'll be holding the August meeting at the Sycamore picnic area of Stevens Creek park above Cupertino. Bring something to grill on the barbecue (we'll provide the coals) and something to share for this annual outdoor get together. Check next months newsletter for more details and a map to the park.

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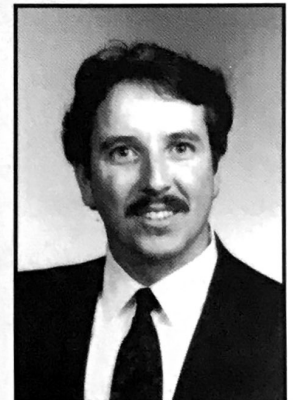
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HTG Activities Calendar

San Francisco Gay Pride Parade and Rally

Sunday June 30

Wear your HTG T-shirt or sweat-shirt and join the marching contingent or volunteer to staff our booth at Civic Center.

Mt. Lassen Camping

July 3 - 7

There may still be space available for HTG's latest Independence Day spectacular -- call Voicemail. We have two group campsites reserved from noon, Wednesday July 3 until noon, Sunday July 7. The cost is \$20.00 for members; \$25.00 for non-members. This covers campground fees, wood, charcoal, propane, ice, and paper goods. You bring your food, beverages, tents, etc. Bring some warm clothes -- the campground elevation is about 6000 feet. And please be sure to carpool as much as possible. Parking could turn out to be our biggest problem.

Activities Committee

Tuesday, July 9

This month's meeting is someplace. We'd like to see some new faces. Call Voicemail and leave a message if you'd like to attend and need directions. Try to arrive by 7:00 p.m.

HTG Monthly Meeting

Sunday July 14

The July HTG meeting will be held at the Billy DeFrank gay and Lesbian Community Center in San Jose starting at 6:30 pm. (map on back page) Please bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner. Also, bring a non perishable food donation for the ARIS Project food basket. Newcomers are always wel-

come to HTG! Come and see what HTG is all about.

American River Rafting and Camping

Friday-Sunday July 26-28

We're going to the lower American River below Lake Folsom. This is not to be confused with a white water trip. I think it is sometimes referred to as a "Beer Float." We're adding camping Friday and Saturday nights to make a weekend of it. The cost is \$55 per person (\$60 for non-members) for the one-day raft trip, including lunch, plus the campground fee for both nights. We're staying at a commercial campground on Lake Folsom with full amenities. That means toilets, showers, store, etc. You still have to bring your own tent, sleeping bag, food, etc. HTG supplies charcoal, propane, firewood, and paper supplies. Please be sure to carpool. There will be extra charges for excess cars.

San Francisco to Tiburon Biking

Saturday August 3

This is a repeat of HTG's very first bike trip, about five or six years ago. Despite what you might think, the route is almost entirely off-road and it's even relatively level (with two nasty exceptions). We'll meet at the Embarkadero, ride to Sausalito, where we have a picnic lunch, and then continue on to Tiburon to catch the Ferry back to San Francisco. We'll have details and maps at the July meeting.

Rancho Cicada Camping II

Friday - Sunday August 16 - 18

We're going back to David's for another great weekend. Get signed up early.

Ice Cream Factory

Saturday August 24

Yum, Yum, Yummy, so good in your tummy. Come on along for a tour of the Dreyer's Ice Cream plant.

Games Day & BBQ in Santa Cruz

Sunday, September 1

We'll get together at Jim's place during the afternoon for games (bring your favorite board game), barbecue some supper, and then maybe visit the local hot tub, followed by a visit to one of Santa Cruz' gay clubs. Get details and directions at the July and August meetings.

Horseback Riding/Picnic/Hiking

Saturday September 7

We're still putting together details on this.

Gay Day on Angel Island

Sunday September 15

This is organized by Frontrunners or Different Spokes (or maybe both). We'll get details and have them available at the August and September meetings.

Yosemite Camping

Friday - Sunday September 20 - 22

Monterey Bay Tour and Dinner

Saturday September 28

The tour is on a large, classic motor launch, dinner probably at the Crow's Nest.

HTG Activity Refund/Cancellation Policy

All HTG activities are self-supporting with no funds budgeted from the treasury. Many of the costs involved in organizing an activity are non-refundable to HTG, therefore, unless specified otherwise, refunds cannot be given for cancellations. The only exception is if someone is found to fill the vacant slot.

Sign Up For HTG Activities

When signing up for an activity, please do *NOT* send the payment to the HTG PO box. Mail it directly to the person running the activity, or if their address is unknown, send it to:

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Some Dates to Remember

The following dates are for some HTG meetings and activities that help keep the organization going. Give us a call if you are interested in details about any of the meetings listed here. The general meeting is our monthly potluck at the DeFrank Center.

Executive Committee
Wednesday 07/09/91

General Meeting
Sunday 07/14/91

Newsletter Deadline
Thursday 07/18/91

Mailing Party
Thursday 07/25/91

HTG Monthly Meeting

Map to the next HTG meeting at the Billy DeFrank Community Center, 175 Stockton St. San Jose.

ARIS Food Basket

Please remember to bring non perishable food items to the monthly meeting to donate to the ARIS food basket

Room for Rent

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