

Monthly Newsletter

April 1992



HIGH TECH GAYS

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HTG Elections

That time of year has arrived. Nominations for the offices of president, secretary, and treasurer will BE taken at the next regular monthly meeting and voting will take place at the May meeting. Ballots will be included in the next newsletter for those members who are unable to vote in person. The completed ballots should be mailed to the HTG PO box but must be received by the May meeting.

Gay Scouts

by *Spencer Nutting*

I have been asked by Ken McPherson of the Forgotten Scouts to organize a chapter in the South Bay.

Things will be heating up for the Scouts in the South Bay and more involvement will make us all the more powerful.

If you are a former Scout and wish to join, please contact me in care of the OUR PAPER at 973 Park Av., San Jose, CA 95126 or by calling (408) 286-2670.

Next Meeting...

The April monthly meeting will be nothing but fun! The 1992 recipient of the Richard P. Rudy Community Service Award will be named and we will also be celebrating the 9th anniversary of High Tech Gays. Don't miss out!

BAYMEC Dinner

by *Don Nelson*

So that High Tech Gays may be listed on the program as a sponsor of the annual BAYMEC Spring Dinner and Dance, the membership voted to purchase ten tickets (1 table). Two of the tickets will be reserved for the recipient of the Richard P. Rudy

See Annual Dinner, page 3.

More Letters From the (ex-Soviet) Commonwealth

Here is a copy of the most recent letter HTG has received from gays and lesbians in what was the Soviet Union who have expressed interest in organizing and forming a group similar to ours. So far we have received four letters; one from Minsk, one from St. Petersburg, one from Siberia and this one from Moscow. We have sent each of the groups a conglomeration of items about HTG and the gay and lesbian community.

We are encouraging all of the members of HTG to write letters to our new friends and provide them with any information about the community that might be of interest. Be aware of the conditions in the new Commonwealth and the restrictions regarding pornography when you send material.

For the addresses of the other groups, call Voicemail and we will send you the information.



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НЕЗАВИСИМАЯ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯ ЛЕСБИЯНОК И ГЕЕВ
independent gay&lesbian organization "The Union of Coming Out"
Москва, 125183, в/я 16 FAX (095)292-6511 Att. Strela

Moscow, 24.02.1992

Dear friends!

Our organization was set up in October, 1991 and our main goal is a legally based union in our country of lesbians and gays, who up to now have been scattered and dispersed, with the goal of an organized battle for our rights.

You probably know that in the past there existed a legal practice in our country regarding gay men entering into voluntary relations. Punitive psychiatry was used on lesbians as if they were inferior people.

Unfortunately, even today this is a sad reality for us.

Given these conditions, we have nevertheless decided on the creation of a legal organization, and we would be very interested in any contacts with Western organizations so that we might feel ourselves an integral part of the international movement of lesbian and gay rights.

We would also be grateful to you for any support in the form of humanitarian and informational aid, so that we might use as fully as possible your experience of many years.

Yours truly, *-Деври-* /Eugenia Debryanskaya/

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Above: HTGer's at the Dessert Orgy

Another Successful Dessert Orgy

by *Donna Matthewson*

Thanks to everyone at this year's Dessert Orgy for contributing to another spectacular overindulgence. We proved unable to convince anyone to be a judge since last year's judges could still remember how nauseous they felt after taking a fast taste of each and every entry while the crowd egged them on. This year everyone got to vote for their favorite entries over the course of several hours. This seemed to work much better; at least no one got sick...

When it came time to turn in ballots, Lynn volunteered to be the ballot box. The women in attendance seemed to thoroughly enjoy voting, often fishing their ballots back out of Lynn's shirt for last minute changes. Unfortunately, we didn't have any male ballot box volunteers this year, but we will certainly try to arrange for ballot boxes of both genders next year. Still, the men were good sports and came up with many novel approaches to voting without having to actually touch the ballot box.

The 1992 winners are: Phil James received both Chocolatiest and Most Unusual for his chocolate, raspberry, mocha cake depicting the eternal struggle between the sacred and the profane. Tony Eringis, whose Napoleon torte was rumored to contain 8 sticks of butter, was the definitive Richest winner, Beatrice Bambony won Best Use of Fruits or Nuts with a Portuguese fruit salad. Sue Ferris produced a Best Effort with perfect little miniature eclairs. Bill Weaver seemed Most Like Mom for his chocolate chip cookies. And Jeff Barber ran away with the award for Tackiest; he created butterscotch-pecan clusters that looked more like Mai Tai's than desserts.

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HTG Activities Calendar

Sweeney Todd Theatreworks Sunday March 29

Those who ordered tickets can meet Gene, our "Man on the Aisle" outside the Lucy Stern Theater at 1:45 p.m. to pick up their tickets.

Mame - CLO Wednesday April 1

Just a reminder to our season ticket holders.

Stairway Hike Saturday April 4

Meet near the flagpole in front of Lettermann Hospital near the Lombard Street entrance of the Presidio at 10:30 a.m. Bring a lunch.

Activities Committee Tuesday April 7

The meeting is at Pete's this month. Leave a message on Voicemail and we'll call back with directions. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

HTG Monthly Meeting Sunday April 12

This month's meeting will be strictly social, to celebrate HTG's ninth anniversary. The potluck begins at 6:30 pm at the Billy DeFrank Community Center on Stockton Ave. in San Jose.

Oakland Air Traffic Control Center Thursday April 16

Despite the name, this FAA facility is located in Fremont. They don't give tours on weekends, so we will meet there at noon to begin the one-hour tour. The address is 5125 Central Ave. in Fremont. Gene will take signups at the April meeting.

Movie Night & Midnight Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 18

An event for those somewhat less than devout. Alan will explain all at the April meeting.

Future Events

No details on the following yet, but we just want to let you know what we're working on.

See What's Left of Santa Cruz Tacky Tour - Saturday May 2

Museum at Blackhawk and Brunch - Sunday May 17

Picnic at the Arboretum in Golden Gate Park - Saturday May 23

Acres of Orchids Nursery Tour - Date changed to Sunday May 31

White water raft trip on the Merced - Sunday June 7

Camping at Big Sur - June 19 - 21

Rancho Cicada - July 2 - 5

Annual Dinner


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Community Service Award, three will be used by the executive council of HTG and the remaining will be sold to anyone wishing to help represent the organization.

The annual dinner is BAYMEC's main fundraiser of the year with attendance growing each time and topping 500 last year. The proceeds collected at each year's dinner are used to fund various efforts by BAYMEC to bring equality and political clout to the gay and lesbian community. Recent successful efforts by BAYMEC included blocking the renewal of a contract with the Boy Scouts in San Jose School Districts and the push for sensitivity training for staff and faculty in the Saratoga/Los Gatos School District. Also BAYMEC enjoys a very high success rate for candidates that have been endorsed by the organization.

This year's dinner will feature Colorado Congresswoman, Patricia Schroeder as the keynote speaker and Danny Williams will MC. With many of the top politicians of the area in attendance, one or more tables reserved in the name of HTG shows them the importance of the organization. Call Voicemail at (408) 993-3830 to reserve your place.

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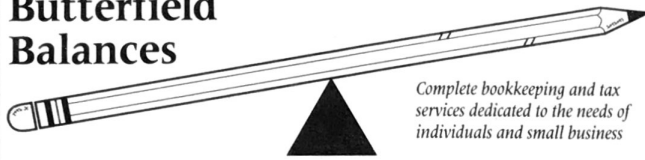
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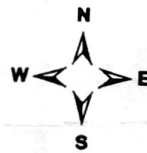
Apartment for rent in Willow Glen area of San Jose. Small, one bedroom, living room, kitchenette, bath, patio/garden, pool, laundry, cable. \$675 including utilities. Call (408) 723-0826.

Sign Up For HTG Activities

When signing up for an activity, please do *NOT* send the payment to the HTG PO box. Send it directly to the person running the activity, or if address is unknown, send it to: **HTG Activities c/o Steve Weirauch 3294 Mt. Logan Dr. San Jose, CA 95127**

HTG Monthly Meeting

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



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