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COMMENTS: Spoke w/mr. Lisenbee on telephone directly 7/12 and discussed enclosed information.

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June 27, 1983

The Honorable Faith Ryan Whittlesey  
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Dear Mrs. Whittlesey:

Recently Special Assistant Judi Buckalew had a meeting with leaders of gay rights groups--the National Gay Task Force. I felt it imperative to provide some information to her in advance of that meeting. I also asked permission to attend, however, no one contacted me. (I need the tapes back.)

There is a 1984 Presidential campaign in the works, and as a Conservative supporter of President Reagan, I want to see him win.

I hope that the 1984 Presidential campaign can make use of some information I have concerning a potential "scandal" for the Democrats. I am asking that you review my request for an immediate investigation by the FBI into the Human Rights Campaign Fund--a homosexual political action committee--which has received "dirty" monies from some pornographers in Los Angeles. In addition, I feel there should be a renewed effort by the FBI to monitor the radical elements within the homosexual movement which pose a serious national security threat to the United States and its families.

The enclosed letter demonstrates my frustration in getting an adequate response to a Freedom of Information Act request from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice. Could you help me get this response?

It is important that all avenues be explored in helping President Reagan's anticipated re-election campaign. In addition, you should be aware that the AIDS situation is being manipulated by gay rights groups and the public is being misled. Feel free to contact me if you need more information. I am willing to discuss this situation with anyone at the White House, the FBI or Justice Department.

Sincerely,

*Kenneth Lisenbee*  
Kenneth Lisenbee

Enclosures

# The Bush Report

A Monthly Briefing on Gay Political Issues

Volume 1 Number 1, May 1983

## NEW POLL: GAY ENDORSEMENTS HURT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

Nearly half of all Americans are less likely to vote for a presidential candidate endorsed by a homosexual organization, according to an unpublished CBS-New York Times poll, while only one percent of the public say such endorsements would have a favorable impact on their vote. The poll, conducted April 7-11, also found that 49% of Americans would be unaffected by gay endorsements.

"The stunning finding is that 47% say they are less likely to vote for such a candidate," said a CBS polling expert. "There's another way of reading it, that about half the country is somewhat hostile."

At the same time, CBS said the poll was "in a real vacuum," since the public has yet to focus on presidential candidates and thus answers were not constrained by other factors.

"Whether this would ever be the case in an actual endorsement can't be said, but in most cases, the impact of an endorsement would actually be somewhat less than what people say in a poll in a hypothetical situation," CBS said.

The results showed that only one percent of the respondents felt such an endorsement would predispose them toward a candidate, and that small showing held true across almost all lines, including Democrats, independents, men, women, and by city size. Only among liberals was there more support - two percent rather than one - while among Republicans, conservatives and Blacks, no respondents said they would look more favorably on a gay-backed candi-

date.

The most variation was between those who said there would be no effect and those who said there would be a negative effect. Gaps emerged between men and women, Blacks and whites, Catholics and white Protestants, and large city dwellers.

Women were less likely to be turned away by an endorsement (43% compared to 51% of men) and claim it made no difference (53% compared to 45% of men). Blacks also were less hostile than whites (35% compared to 48% of whites) and say it was irrelevant (57% compared to 48% of whites).

Liberals, as expected, split differently than conservatives (36% were hostile, 58% of conservatives), and claimed indifference (60% compared to 37% of conservatives).

The least hostility was shown among those in cities over 250,000: only 33% were hostile, while 62% were indifferent.

Two factors may also account for the poor showing in positive responses, CBS said. "There are a lot of social taboos in answering yes," a spokesperson said. "And, in a sense, people are saying, 'I'm not going to be affected by another group's thinking.'"

The same poll found, for example, that an AFL-CIO endorsement would be viewed indifferently by 64% of the public (and a nearly identical 63% of union householders), and 23% would be less likely to support a union-backed candidate (and a startling 13% of union members also hostile).

The CBS-New York Times poll is believed to be the first to ask about the potential impact of endorsements from gay groups.

PRESIDENTIAL DEALS... Sen. Ernest F. (Fritz) Hollings second Democratic presidential hopeful to endorse Sen bill 430 banning employment discrimination. In a May 3 letter to the Gay Rights National Lobby, Hollings wrote, "I am not a cosponsor but I will vote for the bill. I believe that regardless of sex or sexual orientation a citizen is entitled to the full rights and protections of the Constitution." He took same stance on a recent CNN Braden-Buchanan show... Alan Cranston remains only cosponsor among hopefuls, also cosponsor on major AIDS bills, new reform of antigay immigration law. Supporters now include well-heeled gay Dems like LA's Sheldon Andelson and Miami's Jack Campbell... Ex-veep Walter Mondale still mum on anti-bias remedies if elected, but was only Dem to mention gays in Mass. Dem Convention speech, a fact he pointed out to gay delegates... Gary Hart still "studying" S430, despite strong antibiotics speech to MECLA on April 23. Aides say he views cosponsorship "cheap gesture." Political wiz David Mixner, Hart ally, seeking clarification... John Glenn slated to get call from Ohio gov Dick Celeste urging gay rights support. Ohio gays stepping up pressure back home, Celeste promises exec order banning state disc., and June 12 Columbus Gay Pride role... Potential GOP candidate Bob Packwood placed call supporting Portland's Jerry Weller for gay PAC job Packwood only Republican on S430.

PRESIDENTIAL ISSUES... Unless major AIDS change, look for large-scale demonstrations at SF 84 Dem Conv., since cases could quadruple there... Gays lagging behind Blacks, women, Hispanics in drafting 84 issues statement. NGTF's Virginia Apuzzo and Natl gay Dems Peter Vogel starting, still no GRNL, Black Gay input. Threshold statement for summer aimed at broad consensus and not burdensome litmus test.

INFORMATION FLOW: New Right leaders stepping up demands for censorship, but lesbian and gay themed books are coming off the presses at quick pace

Moral Majority leaders and other conservatives met with Reagan at the White House in April, where Reagan extolled Hollywood values of 40 year ago and congratulated nearby Arlington, Va. prosecutor for entrapment policies luring hustlers across the Potomac in anti-permissiveness campaign; one side-effect was last summer's superhyped congressional/spy scandal. Reagan reportedly ready to back new obscenity definitions.

Falwell and others now turning to U.S. Senate for "kiddie porn" legislation. May 5 panel rewrote rules to permit books with "serious scientific and educational material," but added restrictions on mere "serious literary or artistic value," according to Publishers Weekly. Big Seller Show Me on child sexuality could be casualty of proposed law.

New Jersey governor Thomas Kean has asked for rewrite of bill banning display or sale of "lascivious" material, which included provision to seize materials and close shops for up to one year. Major law firm claims six state supreme courts have ruled this "prior restraint" (an unhappy index of their popularity).

Mississippi debating similar measure, but goes further and would bar publications from taking ads for shops that sell X-rated mags. Miss Gay Alliance says its newsletter would fold under those rules, put up by Moral Majority, but says state house may block measure.

National Council of Teachers of English reports in its fourth survey that 34% of h.s. librarians report challenges to books, while 17% report full-scale censorship moves. That's up from less than one percent in previous surveys, and flies in the face of Moral Majority leader Jerry Falwell's claim that he is now turning to anticensorship campaign in local libraries (a code term for demands that books from a sixty-two title list, some overtly

anti-gay, that Moral Majority wants put on the shelves). Gay books are among those most likely to be successfully targeted; a recent Miami News article reports that of 11 state textbooks challenged last year by the Florida Pro-Family Forum only a sociology text "that discussed homosexuality as a lifestyle" was removed from circulation.

Some books just now being ballyhooed by publishers might become the new battlegrounds in such censorship ventures. William Morrow will announce an October release for Dr. Philip Blumstein's and Dr. Pepper Schwartz's American Couples: Money, Work and Sex. The book grew out of a fed National Institutes of Mental Health and National Science Foundation grant to study role models in gay and straight couples, including partner responsibilities. During the federal funding cycle it was sharply attacked by conservatives and some members of congress. Morrow says it plans a very high press run of 150,000 copies.

Two books by gay publishing house also might run afoul of censors. One Teenager in Ten: Writings by Gay and Lesbian Youth, published by Alyson Publications and edited by Ann Heron has been hailed by PW as containing "courageous voices, voices of young people wise beyond their years." Also new is Colorful People and Places, by Michael J. Smith, published by The Quarterly Press of BWMT, Inc. (\$10, BWMT, 279 Collingwood, SF 94114), a directory and guide of organizations and spaces for lesbians/gay men of color.

Other most notable books: The Book of America: Inside 50 States Today, by Neal Pierce and Jerry Hagstrom, who include some info on gay political and social influence; AIDS: The Epidemic, edited by Dr. Kevin Cahill from a NYC symposium he held and which seeks to jump ahead of other AIDS books due out.

Sexual Politics, Sexual Communities, by John D'Emilio is seminal gay history book, also sure to be controversial in New Right circles for fingering govt. interference.

In general, no shortage of new books with gay themes, authors, including:

Killer Clown: The John Wayne Gacy Murders, Terry Sullivan with Peter Maiken, due July 15 from Grosset & Dunlop; Sullivan was Gacy's prosecutor and Mailen a Chicago Tribune editor.

Bodies and Soul, John Rechy's new novel, due June 22 from Carrol and Graf, with a comfortable 35,000 first printing.

First Official Gay Handbook, Hudson Brown (a Chicago designer who did Nancy Reagan Paper Plate Collection), with 20,000 copies, ads in 26 "city gay & counterculture" pubs.

Djuna: The Life and Times of Djuna Barnes, Andrew Field, from Putnam's May 31, including her lesbianism.

Langston Hughes: Before and Beyond Harlem, Faith Berry, including the Black poet's affair with Alain Locke

Short Circuit, Michael Mewshaw, an expose on the international tennis circuit, including lesbians, due July 12 by Atheneum.

Setting the Tone: Essays and a Diary, Ned Rorem, the Pulitzer-winning composer frequently found in Christopher Street.

In Search of God in the Sexual Underworld: A Mystical Journey, Edwin (Toby) Johnson, coauthor with Toby Marotta of fed-funded research project on boy prostitutes, the source for this personal essay.

Decadent Societies, Robert Adams, in which the frequent contributor to the New York Review of Books cites the rise of "single issue politics" as one reason for the decline of civilization as we know it.

Also, going into reprints: Zami: A New Way of Spelling My Name, by Audre Lorde and published by Persephone Press, now up to 12,500 copies and Rita Mae Brown's Southern Discomfort, which PW forecasts now as a potential best seller on the mass market lists.



THE 1983 ELECTIONS AND GAY SUPPORT

CITY	ELECTION DAY	CANDIDATES	GAY PARTICIPATION
CHICAGO	Feb. 22 (P)	Bryne Daley Washington*	Bryne, Daley and Washington acknowledged gay votes, but Bryne made most specific promises, won overwhelming endorsement
	April 4 (G)	Washington* Epton	Washington cosponsor federal gay rts bill, Epton state gay rts bill; Washington won support, particularly at last week. Lakefront gay districts crucial in close vote
SAN DIEGO	Mar 15 (P)	Hedgecock* O'Connor* 3 other candidates	Both O'Connor and Hedgecock claimed they would open the doors ex-mayor Pete Wilson kept closed, but Hedgecock campaigned at gay events, while Democratic feminist Maureen O'Connor stayed away from Gay Dems
	May 3 (G)	Hedgecock* O'Connor	Republican Hedgecock nonpartisan victor.
DALLAS	April 2	Taylor* Wise	Gay cops an issue, but both candidates refused to support them; Wise had more gay help, but neither were endorsed. City Council member Richard Medrano defeated by Paul Fielding, in part on gay issues, with gay clout set back Fielding, however, was faced with "Come out of the closet" campaign slogans as bachelor
LINCOLN	April 5 (P)	Hampton* Luedke* others	1st election since Lincoln voters overwhelmingly defeated a gay rts ordinance in 1982; nonissue among mayoral candidates, but incumbant city council member Eric Youngberg lost seat in close election after ads targeted his gay support
	May 5 (G)	Hampton Luedke*	
DENVER	May 17 (P)	McNichols Penna* Tooley*	Incumbant McNichols viewed as antigay, Penna as most supportive potential victor. The candidates courtship of gay voters drew Denver press attention. Penna now backed by local gay newspaper, prominent city gays
	Jun 21 (G)	Penna Tooley	
PHILADELPHIA	May 18 (P)	Goode* Rizzo	Gays for Goode reportedly fielded 400 election day volunteers, and Center City precincts went heavily for Goode, who promised high level appts. and action. Rizzo made natl news for his apology on anti-gay remarks during his earlier term
	Nov. 8 (G)	Goode Republican	
ST. PAUL	Sept 13 (P) Nov. 11 (G)	None Declared	Incumbant mayor George Lattimer took strong pro-gay stance during 1977 repeal
BALTIMORE	Sept 13 (P) Nov. 11 (G)		Schaeffer loves being mayor, and gays have yet to organize effectively here, but could change this year
BOSTON	Sept 27 (P)	Ten	Kevin White is ending 16 years as mayor;
	Nov. 8 (G)	Declared	a May 25 candidates forum held by Boston's new gay PAC was well attended, received major press coverage. Expect major gay activity this year, including in new district races which this year replace at-large races for city council.
Raleigh, NC	Oct 11 (P) Nov 11 (G)	None Declared	Filing in late August; area has growing gay community & activity; pre-lim for 84 Helms Hunt contest
Key West, Fla	Nov 1 (P) Nov 11 (G)	None Declared	Incumbant Wardlow not running, filing due late August; gay vote significant
Miami	Nov. 8	None Declared	Maurice Ferre likely to face strong Cuban opponent; gays will likely turn to 84 Dade County mayor race, when ally Ruth Shack will run
San Francisco	Nov. 8	Dianne Feinstein	After the recall, everyone's favorite, but protest candidacy likely anyway

NOTE: Laguna Beach, Calif. City Council unanimously elected member Bob Gentry, openly gay, as mayor in April. Austin, Tx. voters reportedly unaffected by last year's antibias referendum in this year's mayor, council votes. Gays also could organize in Des Moines race (10/18), Birmingham, Ala (10/11) and Memphis, Tenn (10/6).

(P) = Primary (G)=General (\*) winner

CONGRESS UPS AIDS FUNDS IN REAGAN REBUKE; CITY, STATE SHARES ALSO RISE

House floor vote May 25 adding \$12 million in AIDS funding last-ditch victory for fiscal 83 increases, and bipartisan rebuke to Reagan Adm. for failure to map out AIDS spending levels in past, current and future budgets. Senate agreement will seal the win, with money expected to cover all approved but unfunded NIH grant requests.

Nearly 1,500 patients by mid-May had incurred over \$100 million in health care costs according to Fed officials; despite claim AIDS is No. 1 health priority, Reagan team had claimed needed funding would be handled in diverting internal programs with no new requests; congress unimpressed with that logic.

Rep. William Natcher (R-Ky.) key to full House support, but Rep. Green (R-NY), Conte (R-Mass), Boxer (D-Ca) Weiss (D-NY) and Waxman (D-CA) kept heat on issue. Sen. Lowell Weicker (R-Conn) plan to add \$12 million in Senate package also a factor.

Next hurdle is June sessions on fiscal 84 budget; Reagan offered no AIDS budget item again. Senate and House appropriations committee action crucial. Congress usually fails to pass health budgets due to fights on abortion amendments; instead turns to Continuing Resolutions which adopt committee priorities and language. This means AIDS funding strategy has to be on front burner for next 6 wks or fiscal 84 levels in danger.

Authorizations committees, notably Waxman's subcommittee, have also prepared and passed emergency health plans for fiscal 84, but appropriations committee must still OK.

Rep. Ted Weiss (D-NY) sharply stepping up oversight of NIH and CDC thru his new subcommittee. Rep. Ed Roybal (D-Ca), first author of AIDS funding amendment just passed, all but unsung hero at the barricades on winning action.

Powerhouses, tho, are congressional aides battering action thru inside channels, keeping open ear to gay health, politico groups.

CITY, STATE FUNDING UP... NYC may be spending upwards of \$750,000 this year, says one city official, and may top \$1 million next year. State budget \$200,000 to gay health groups, AIDS Task Force appt...NJ to spend \$500,000 this year, and state assembly okayed \$75,000 in pub ed...SE mayor approved \$600,000 in supplemental, \$450,000 more coming, and Supe Harry Britt pushing 2 million more... Seattle talking \$100,000 for pub ed... Houston officials debating \$71,000 for fact finding survey...DC has bill for \$50,000 in city council...Calif. legislature set to ok \$2.5 million at state level, including med schools... Boston at \$3,000 plus mayoral aide Brian McNaught's office costs... And resolutions, actions from LA to Penn. Gov's Council to Orange County, Fla. Look for city actions to form platform for criticism of Federal plans at Mayor's Conference June 12 in Denver.

PENDING CONGRESSIONAL BILLS & STATUS

Some early AIDS Senate and House bill overtaken by events (S898, HR 1697, both set emergency health funds, procedures; fiscal 83 supplemental bills S972 and HR 2762 and 2763 surpassed by floor, committee actions late May). Key bills still active:

S 773 NIH reauthorization bill, which includes red tape cutter proviso first in S898 and S971.

S 1226 (Cranston, Kennedy, Moynihan, Tsongas): creates \$40 million Public Health emergency fund; needs action Sen. Hatch's committee & supportive letters helpful.

HR 2350 NIH reauthorization bill, has red tape cutter authored by Waxman first in HR 1697.

HR 2713 Public Health Emergency fund set at \$30 million; sailed thru committee, easy House passage in June, should match up with S 1226.

Fiscal 84 appropriations: Will not come from member's bills, but are written in committee, beginning in June. Key focus area now.

THE RIGHT SIDE

Christian Voice, which has a direct mail piece lamenting that "we don't have the budget to even print our petitions" (against the "Homosexual Bill of Rights") announced it will spend \$2 million to re-elect Reagan in 1984, using gay rights as the No. 1 issue. "We expect to, once again, make our TV and radio spots on the homosexual rights issue a major part of our campaign in 1984," CV lobbyist Gary Jarmin said. In 1980, his Christians for Reagan spent about \$500,000, mostly hyping anti-Carter ads using gay rights that won CBS Eve. News and NY Times-Wash Post coverage. One problem: FEC says spending over \$1,000 in independent campaigns is a violation...Rev. Ray Allen, Texans for Moral Government head, a CV offshoot, part of effort to re-instate Texas sodomy law. "The question is whether we have any teeth or don't we," Allen said of his fight against gays. "Our campaign is based not so much over a moral ban, but on the inordinate amount of disease traditionally associated with the homosexual community," Allen added. Lesbians may be permitted sodomy rights as a compromise. "Honestly, I think we ultimately will end up exempting lesbians, that might come out as a compromise." Bill currently stymied in committee, but both sides agree it would win handily in floor vote. ..Paul Cameron, Lincoln, Neb. antigay crusader, now making Texas appearances, where So. Methodist Univ. officials drew fire for hosting his speech to student senators the nite before a vote on gay student recognition, which failed. Cameron had charges of unethical conduct filed against him at Am. Psychological Assn., where he is member, for lies told turning 1982 Lincoln antigay battle...Deep Backgrounder out with fifth edition, including 2-page spread, "Homosexual Leaders Tell Americans to 'Drop Dead,' about AIDS Editor Martin Price continuing ads for "Truth About Gays PAC," or TAG PAC, which he says is "the only pol-

itical action committee solely dedicated to stopping 'gay power' at the federal level"...Human Events' May 14 issue blasts gays as natl security risks, with long quotes from Readers Digest ed John Barron's KGB, charging a hidden gay anger against society is exploited by Soviets in espionage... Foundation for the Study of Philanthropy, a Hampton, Va. one-man operation, is losing defunding battles with major corporations like IBM, Dupont and Polaroid to stop grants to univ. refusing antigay employment recruitment drives by military...Rep. Larry McDonald's Western Goals in major LA brouhaha over pirated LAPD intelligence data slipping into his computer of suspected 5th columnists...Kansas Univ. defund-the-gays move falls flat after gay students' \$493 budget defended by school paper as needed to "help teach us that homosexuals and lesbians are, like the rest of us, people more than anything else."...Mississippi Moral Majority planning a state-wide campaign against gays, with focus on Jackson: "We want to encourage our city fathers to take action as soon as possible to bring to a halt the open display of immorality and perversion in certain areas of downtown Jackson," Rev. Mike Wells said...Natl columnist Pat Buchanan trumpeting a call that gays be quarantined from some jobs due to AIDS; also revealed as 1972 Nixon dirty trickster behind move to smear Rep. Pete McCloskey with gay support tag...Conservative Digest blasts Reagan Adm. for grants to liberal groups, but could only locate one grant to gays. Previous issue had bolstered Rev. Enrique Rueda's charge public funds underwrite \$40 million of gay movement...Rep. Thomas Bliley (R-Va.), leading 1981 backer of DC sex assault reform bill defeat, met with Virginia Gay Alliance to say he now would support bill decriminalizing sodomy between consenting adults in private. The meeting also in private.

ON THE RIALTO...Newsweek predicts its AIDS cover will make top 10 newsstand sales for 83, already ranks near M\*A\*S\*H cover. Meanwhile, lawyers looking over Christian Voice pamphlet "The Homosexual Plague," which uses AIDS cover, for copyright infringement...Sen. William Roth (R-De) will bring up possible release of closed door testimony against gays in 1950 used in Senate report on "perverts" in govt. Sanitized version likely to go first to gay historian Alan Berube who was recently in DC, and who asks that Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations (McCarthy's old berth) be contacted with supportive letters...Virginia Apuzzo's Fund for Human Dignity gets bylaw rewrite permitting \$2,500 grants to gay groups other than NGTF, making it first natl gay group to give money to community. A recent direct mail piece reportedly brought in \$50,000 to them...Bob Roehr, DC area gay Republican, has had several meetings with Republican National Committee but gay caucus not in cards. RNC says only natl groups with 250 members in at least 35 states qualify. Instead Roehr predicts a natl moderate-conservative group of gays will form, unaffiliated...Fortune Society director David Rothenberg given guest column in American Society of Newspaper Editors Bulletin for May/June 83 on "Cover-

ing Gays: We're Missing Important Stories"...Writer Ed White was a 83 recipient of a Guggenheim grant, and just published in June Mother Jones on "Paradise Found," about gay male friendships in the age of AIDS...David Mixner and Dianne Abbott new co-chairs of MECLA, the powerful and prestigious Los Angeles-based gay PAC. The two were "drafted" in a reform effort after dissatisfaction with outgoing chair Steve Smith erupted with Smith seeking an unprecedented third term. Emphasis is now slated to go on new outreach programs, particularly to dissatisfied gay Republicans, and to greater public accountability for selection of candidates receiving MECLA contributions...Gay Press Association president Mark Segal, in office less than one week, when Philly papers carry story on his Philadelphia Gay News bowing to consent order to cease racist and sexist ads and to publish an apology...Sheldon Andelson and David Mixner among the founders of new Committee for California, a new PAC that will give a berth to ex-gov Jerry Brown...Human Rights Campaign Fund treasurer Steve Endean the last search committee member to cast his vote for new exec dir Vic Basile. Insiders say if Kerry Woodward had been available for the decisive conference call, the nod could have gone to Jerry Weller.

AHEAD...Phillip Burton's widow Sala certain victor in June 21 special election for CA 5th seat. Bill Kraus will return to former AIDS role when interrugnum ends...Bella Abzug still dropping hints she wants back in congress, may seek to defeat Rep. William Green, the Manhattan Republican now out front on House Appropriations AIDS action...Ala.'s Albert Lee Smith, former Family Protection Act sponsor, likely Republican candidate for Birmingham seat he lost in 82; gay efforts a factor...Calif. state controller Ken Cory reviewing options to extend employee benefits to non-traditional families, gay spouses, in move similar to Harry Britt's partnership bill...Rep. Ted Weiss' remarks on Reagan, biased medical establishment severely edited in Dr. Kevin Cahill's new book, AIDS: The Epidemic. Cahill argued NYC AIDS symposium's medical theories longer-lasting than gay factors in AIDS...Nestor Armand, "Sophie's Choice" photographer as well as for Francois Truffaut's "Wild Child," working on hour-long French TV special on Cuba's treatment of gays, to be followed by 90 min feature on totalitarian nations' treatment of gays for movie houses.



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RE: No. 231,138  
Appeal No. 83-0222

Dear Mr. Hall:

I have information for the FBI concerning a homosexual political action committee (PAC)--the Human Rights Campaign Fund which has contributors who are pornographers in Los Angeles and also homosexual bath house owners. This fund has contributed to numerous Democratic candidates in the 1982 elections. In view of the fact that 65 Democratic members of the House now co-sponsor "gay rights" legislation, and because the Democratic National Committee under Charles Manatt have embraced "gay rights," and in view of the fact that the Democratic Presidential Convention will be held in San Francisco in 1984, I hope that someone will make use of my information for inclusion in the 1984 Presidential election and campaign strategy. President Reagan must win in 1984, and a liberal like Mondale, Cranston, Hart, Hollings or John Anderson (who spoke at the "Gay Press Association" convention in Philadelphia) will mean a drastic turn for the worse for America.

Having written Roger S. Young, Assistant Director in Charge of the FBI's Office of Congressional and Public Affairs about this matter and my FOIA request which has not been answered completely or satisfactorily, I am totally frustrated at the FBI's inaction. They must verify and document this allegation.

If necessary, I will come to Washington to discuss this matter and my FOIA request with the FBI or anyone at the White House. It is essential that the American people know that the Democratic party is accepting "dirty" money from pornographers, and that the Democratic party supports "gay rights."

I am still waiting for the responses to my questions from the FOIA request No. 231,138 from the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs which you said in your letter dated September 15, 1982, would be "forthcoming from the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs." Mr. Roger S. Young refuses to provide this response. If my entire request is not being covered by the appeal No. 83-0222, what legal recourse is available to me? My concerns are entirely legitimate. (I am particularly

Mr. James K. Hall  
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concerned about detailed responses to questions numbers 8 and 13 in Part I of my FOIA request dated September 15, 1982.

Failure to adequately respond to my concerns under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts will indicate the following:

- (1) there are no legitimate FBI or national security concerns about any aspects of the homosexual movement, the effects of increasing homosexual behavior on our family life or society (child pornography, child prostitution, sexual abuse of children, paedophilia, and incest aside);
- (2) there are no concerns about the interstate adult male prostitution services which are a violation of the Mann Act (now estimated to be at least \$1.7 Billion annually); or the national health threat posed by the AIDS epidemic and other sexually-transmitted venereal diseases spread through homosexual and bi-sexual promiscuity;
- (3) there are no active domestic intelligence/security investigations into radical lesbian/feminist, or homosexual or paedophile organizations, or any leftist, Marxist, communist, socialist, or Soviet KGB, or other foreign intelligence organizations' activities influencing or directing the homosexual movement to further their goals in creating a climate detrimental to the security of the United States;
- (4) there are no concerns about the social, political, economic or other repercussions of the homosexual movement upon American immigration policy, upon the Federal, state or local governmental policies, the military, media, educational systems, political parties, religion, scientific, medical, judicial or professional organizations; and the family unit;
- (5) there are no active investigations into organized crime involvement in the major homosexual institutions such as bars, baths, hotels, interstate prostitution services or interstate homosexual obscenity law violations (such as the violations I have provided information about to the New York FBI office);
- (6) there are no active investigations into organized crime members who sit on the boards of major "gay rights" organizations; no concerns as to why these individuals are involved in homosexual "rights" organizations;

- (7) there are no pending lawsuits against the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Department of Justice, or any of the several branches of our military, or against the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency or any other branch of the Federal government by any homosexual organization, by any avowed homosexual or lesbian, or by any legal advocacy group such as the Gay Activists Alliance, the National Gay Task Force, the (National) Gay Rights Advocates, Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD), or the American Civil Liberties Union or the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, on behalf of any homosexual group or individual, under the Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts, and no information is available in any FBI Field Office or Resident Agency pertaining to any of these lawsuits or requests;
- (8) there have been no meetings, correspondence, discussions or interviews or conversations between the FBI, the U.S. Department of Justice (including the United States Attorneys Offices), or any other agency of the Federal government with or on behalf of any homosexual groups or their leaders, or any individual acting on behalf of them, or with any writer for any homosexual publication which violates the Federal laws against the interstate distribution of obscenity or which promotes interstate prostitution services, and no records are maintained in any of the 59 Field Offices of the FBI or any of its Resident Agencies on any aspect of the homosexual movement and the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs does not maintain any records of such meetings with individuals such as Larry Bush, and the Washington, D.C. Field Office does not maintain any records of meetings it has held with "leaders" of the local homosexual community;
- (9) that the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs maintains no records of any such meetings with such "gay rights" leaders or writers for homosexual publications, of what transpired between the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs or the Department of Justice representatives at any meetings held with homosexual "leaders" or their representatives or writers, and that the FBI has not provided any materials or press releases to any homosexual writer or group or their representatives;

- (10) that there are no on-going meetings at present with any homosexual rights groups or discussions with any legal representatives acting on behalf of any homosexual or homosexual organization, newspaper or writer for any homosexual publication which violates the Mann Act or Federal obscenity law, by the FBI, CIA, NSA, DOD, the White House, or the Department of Health and Human Services and the Public Health Service, or the Centers for Disease Control, or the Department of Justice or any of the 94 United States Attorneys' Offices;
- (11) that the FBI is not aware that the homosexual activists are manipulating the AIDS epidemic and deliberately misleading the public and hiring their own medical "authorities" to put out information which will mislead the Federal government or the public about the AIDS situation;
- (12) that the FBI does not maintain any records on any aspect of the homosexual movement, nor does it have in its possession any information (in any form) about the subject of homosexuality, bi-sexuality, or homosexual or lesbian/feminist groups whether or not criminals are involved with such groups; nor does the FBI maintain any correspondence with any individuals who are knowledgeable about the homosexual movement, including any individuals who know about the genetic and/or hormonal imbalance theories of origins of homosexuality or transexuality or bi-sexuality and criminal sexual behavior; the FBI does not maintain any records of who lectured on this subject at Quantico and how and by whom these individuals are chosen; nor does the FBI keep at Headquarters, Quantico, any of its Field Offices or Resident Agencies, any information on any lectures, seminars, meetings, conversations, correspondence, or concerns of any homosexual groups or individuals who have requested and obtained any meetings, or have had any conversations with any FBI Agents, pertaining to any area of Federal law; nor does the FBI maintain any information on homosexual groups or individuals who were turned down for any meetings or discussions with the FBI and why they were denied meetings or discussions;
- (13) the FBI does not have one Agent who is concerned about these matters on a full-time basis;

Mr. James K. Hall  
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June 26, 1983

As you see, there are many serious concerns addressed in my FOIA request which have not been answered. It is imperative for the national security of America that the FBI answer these concerns and rectify the situation accordingly.

I am willing to come to Washington if necessary to discuss this matter and to provide additional information. Please advise me as soon as you have discussed this with Judge Webster or Mr. Oliver B. Revell, who has not answered my previous letter to him.

Sincerely,

*Kenneth Lisenbee*

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August 30, 1982

Mr. Tom Chorlton  
National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs  
1742 Massachusetts Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Tom,

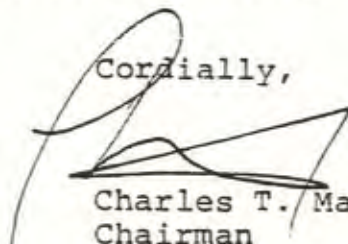
Thank you for updating me on the progress of the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs.

As I said in speaking to your first conference in Philadelphia on June 24th, I consider formation of the national association an important step toward our common goal: a strong Democratic Party working to achieve full human rights and civil rights for every American.

Toward this end, I know that you share my pride that the statements adopted by the National Party Conference reflected the commitment of this party to end any discrimination based on sexual orientation. Let us work to ensure that the unanimous action of the NPC, which has been widely praised as reflecting a united Democratic Party, is an indication of further gains to be made.

Ann Lewis tells me that she is working with you on a positive, campaign-oriented program of assistance to Democratic candidates in our critical elections this year. Please continue to keep me informed.

Cordially,



Charles T. Manatt  
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TOM CHORLTON  
Washington, DC

Kenneth -

Thanks for your letter several weeks ago. I'm sorry it's taken so long to reply, but starting a new national organization just before an election is a good way to keep busy.

Enclosed you will find a copy of our first Newsletter. As you requested, I have added your name to our mailing list. You might also be interested in the Gay and Lesbian Independent Democrats, the local Club nearest to you. You can reach them by contacting Bill Hirsch at 393 West End Avenue, NYC 10024 (362-1681).

In order to identify all of the Gay media in the country, I would suggest that you write to the new Gay Press Association: Mike Rutherford, Executive Director; GPA; 1110 Rhode Island Avenue, NW; Washington, DC 20005. I'm sure Mike would be happy to provide you with this information.

I appreciate your interest and support and look forward to staying in contact. If we can be of any help, please let us know.

Thanks,

Tom Chorlton  
Executive Director

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## Canadian Bath Raid Defendants in Jeopardy

# JACK CAMPBELL PLEADS GUILTY!

(Toronto) The Right to Privacy Committee, Canada's largest gay organization, today called for Miami businessman Jack Campbell's resignation from the Board of Directors of the National Gay Task Force. Campbell was elected treasurer of the organization at their October meeting.

"It is completely unacceptable for Jack Campbell to sit on the Board of an organization that has, for so long, worked to defend the gay community," said Graham Crawford, Chairperson of the 1400 member group organized to defend the more than 300 men charged in Toronto's bathraids of February 5, 1981.

"Campbell's actions have done irreparable damage to our struggle in Canada. We are left with no alternative but to call for his immediate resignation," Crawford added.

Crawford was referring to Campbell's guilty plea to charges arising from the Toronto bathraids. The raids followed a six month investigation by undercover police of four Toronto gay baths. More than 300 men, the second largest mass arrest in Canadian history, were charged as a result, some of whom are still facing trial. The RTPC was organized to provide financial, emotional and political support to those charged.

Campbell, as part owner of the Club Toronto and Barrack's baths, was charged, along with five others, with 'conspiring to possess proceeds obtained from crime.' On November 20, 1981, Campbell flew in to Toronto unannounced, pled guilty to the charges, was fined \$40,000 and left the city the same day. At his trial, after hearing police testimony, Campbell admitted before the Court that he was 'embarrassed by the anti-social acts' alleged to have taken place in his bathhouses. Campbell later admitted that he did not inform his five co-defendants of his plan. They learned of his actions only after he had left the country.

"His guilty plea came at a time when there were still hundreds of people left facing charges," commented Elan Rosenquist, Vice-Chairperson for the RTPC. "While the conspiracy charges have no direct legal bearing on the 'foundings,' Campbell's guilty plea has been used repeatedly by the prosecution. Also, it continues to have a tremendous emotional and political impact on our work. Many of us felt betrayed," he added.

To date, of the more than 300 men charged, more than 90% have chosen to plead not guilty.

When asked whether he realized the severity of his plea, Campbell said he was "not aware of any political struggle."

"He said he wasn't aware of any political struggle in Canada



Toronto uniformed and undercover police lead away patrons in the bath house raids on February 5, 1981. In one evening, police hit 4 bath houses and charged over 300 men with crimes. Jack Campbell, co-owner of one of the baths, pleaded guilty to charges stemming from the raids. Photo by The Body Politic.

## RPC LETTER TO NGTF

It has come to our attention that Jack Campbell has joined the Board of Directors of the National Gay Task Force and now holds the position of Treasurer. We received this news with surprise and concern. Is the NGTF aware of Campbell's activities in Canada and their legacy?

On February 5, 1981, in one of Canada's largest mass arrests, over 300 patrons of Toronto's gay steam baths were arrested. Campbell, along with other businessmen connected to the baths, was later charged with offenses arising out of the raids. Hundreds of patrons, Campbell's former co-defendants, and thousands of supporters have chosen to fight it out in the courts, including Supreme Court, and at all levels of government. Campbell, claiming to be "unaware of any political struggle," turned his back on Canada's largest and most significant movement to defend the gay community. His statements were made despite considerable coverage of the raids in all of the major Canadian and U.S. gay publications. He pled guilty to one of the charges and bargained away the others. This he did without even informing his business partners and co-defendants, several of whom are well known gay activists.

Campbell's decision has been used against those arrested in the baths in their struggles in the courts. It has also been used in Parliament to demonstrate why Canada's Criminal Code should NOT be revised. It is virtually illegal for gays in Canada to have sex anywhere, including our homes. Had the national criminal code been revised, much gay activity would have been no longer subject to criminal prosecution.

We note that your Board will meet on November 14, 1982. We are meeting on Thursday, November 18, 1982 and would very much appreciate a response to our rather obvious concern over Jack Campbell's presence on the Board of an organization that has, for so long, worked to defend the gay community and other gay rights.

around the bathraids. Where has he been? The raids have consistently been covered by all of the international gay press. Since February 5, 1981, this organization (RTPC) has raised more money than any other gay organization in this country's history (over \$100,000 to date). Thousands of people have demonstrated in the streets in Toronto on many occasions. We've lobbied at all levels of government. We've received overwhelming and unprecedented support from women's groups, religious organizations, ethnic minorities, legal organizations, organized labor and politicians. If this is indicative of his knowledge of gay current events, I think it puts into question his value to the NGTF." Crawford said angrily. Campbell's guilty plea has also received considerable coverage in the straight media, both locally and nationally.

"His plea has been thrown in the gay community's face time and time again," said Vice-Chairperson Rosenquist. "It's been used on a number of occasions at special Parliamentary hearings concerning the reform of our National Criminal Code by both the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police and conservative politicians. The impact of his guilty plea has been felt across Canada," he added. Asked whether they thought it appropriate for a Canadian gay organization to comment on the decisions of the U.S. NGTF, Rosenquist commented, "Canadian gay and lesbian communities monitor closely the events in the U.S., as does the Canadian government. Having someone like Campbell, as a so-called 'champion of gay rights,' hold such a senior position on the Board of the NGTF, the largest gay organization in the States, is an affront to all gay and lesbian organizations across Canada. We believe that in order for all of us to achieve our goals, we have to be able to co-operate with each other."

When asked about the NGTF's position on the matter, Rosenquist was quick to add that, "We have taken all possible steps to give the NGTF a chance to respond to our concern. We sent a full package of information detailing the issue and asked for a response. When we didn't get one, we followed up with several long distance telephone calls to New York and San Francisco to see if a response were forthcoming. We received what is best described as a bureaucratic delay. We left messages with senior Board members to call us. We have yet to receive a reply."

Campbell's co-defendants, who have vowed from the beginning to fight the charges, are scheduled to appear in court in December.

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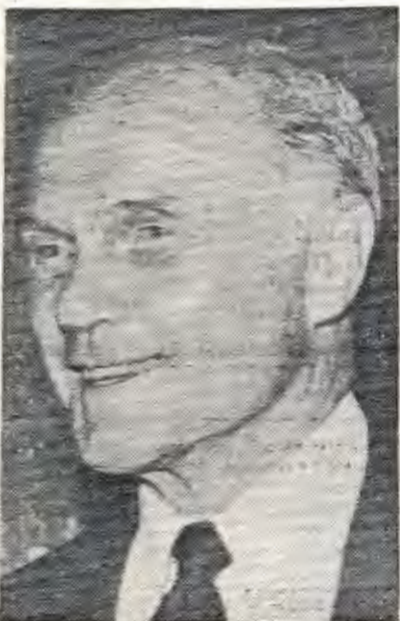
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# Mondale Seen Hurt By Black Nominee

By Martin Schram  
Washington Post Staff Writer



WALTER F. MONDALE  
... shows strength among rank and file



SEN. JOHN GLENN  
... supported by independent voters



JESSE JACKSON  
... leads the rest of the pack

A full-fledged Democratic presidential campaign by a black candidate such as Jesse Jackson could alter the party's presidential nominating picture by significantly increasing the numbers of registered black Democrats and siphoning off support from front-runner Walter F. Mondale.

When Jackson was included in a list of Democratic candidates in the latest Washington Post-ABC News poll, he finished third, with 8 percent, far behind Mondale's 42 percent and Sen. John Glenn's (D-Ohio) 26 percent in a nationwide survey last week of 634 Democrats. But with Jackson out of the listing, Mondale jumped 5 points to 47 percent, while Glenn gained just 1 percent.

A small group of black leaders who urged Monday that a black candidate run for the Democratic presidential nomination also advocated a massive, concurrent black voter registration drive.

Questioned about his presidential ambitions in an interview with Post editors and reporters yesterday, Jackson said he thought he could put together a coalition that could make him the next Democratic presidential nominee.

He said there is growing acceptance of the idea that blacks can assert themselves politically through such means as running a presidential candidate and registering several million eligible black voters, particularly in the South.

"A few months ago people would laugh when you brought up the subject of a black presidential candidate," he said. "A few months ago you would have thought I was crazy if I said that Reynolds would go to Mississippi with me to look into registration violations." He referred to William Bradford Reynolds, assistant attorney general for civil rights.

But most of all, when talking about running for president, Jackson's emphasis was not on winning but on forcing white Democrats to "renegotiate a new relationship" with blacks.

Jackson said he has not decided to run, but that if he does, "I think it would expand the Democratic base, not divide it. Then it would be left to the white Democrats to decide if they wanted to renegotiate a new

relationship [with blacks] that would be respectful and proper."

Jackson emphasized the need for white Democrats to begin putting blacks on party slates in proportion to their numbers for higher offices and seeing that blacks can be registered to vote in order to elect more blacks candidates.

Jackson said that white Democrats are still hampering black registration efforts in the South.

"The enforcement of the Voting Rights Act is the missing link to our effort," he said. "In Mississippi, they are still operating under the Mississippi law of 1890."

He said that black voting power in the Mississippi delta region is being diluted by by gerrymandering, in which political jurisdiction boundaries are drawn to cut up concentrations of black voters and new federally subsidized black housing subdevelopments are being built just outside city election district limits.

Black voter power is also being diluted, he said, by a "dual" registration processes, in which registration is often available to blacks only in areas difficult for them to get to, where registration and elections are conducted in violation of the federal law and where voter registration efforts are allowed to continue under the old system even when communities have filed new plans that are awaiting Justice Department approval.

Jackson said that he had seen President Reagan on television in Mississippi on Monday, "and there was jumping up and down for him. But no matter how high that crowd jumps, Reagan only won Mississippi by 11,000 votes" and there are about 200,000 unregistered eligible black voters.

Jackson also said he has had several meetings with Mondale advisers. Mondale's acting campaign chairman, James A. Johnson, said that the sessions have dwelled mainly on Jackson's voter registration crusade in the South, although there was some discussion of his possible candidacy for president.

"As near as we can tell, we do not think that Jesse Jackson has made any decision about whether to run," Johnson said. "But as far as the activity is aimed at increased registration of black voters, it will be of enormous benefit to our party."

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# AIDS Survey Finds Most Men Continue as Before

## Many are More Careful About What They Do with Pickups

Most informed Gay men have been affected by the AIDS epidemic, but a recent survey shows that, although worried about it, most are continuing to engage in behavior that could transmit an AIDS infective agent — and at the same frequency as before they found out about AIDS.

This is one of the findings that came out of a survey of 600 Gay San Francisco men, done by three psychotherapists who were interested in what kind of reactions the acquired immune deficiency syndrome has had on the Gay community.

The study was designed by Leon McKusick, William Horstman, and Dr. Arthur Carlagni, all in private practice in San Francisco. It was an outgrowth of the reactions from patients in psychotherapy, as well as from friends and acquaintances, to the AIDS phenomena.

The researchers had encountered a wide variety of psychological reactions, including anxiety, depression, denial, guilt, phobic reactions, as well as lessening of sexual desire and expressions of homophobic sentiments about Gay life.

At the same time, they had also witnessed a confused impact on the sexual behavior of their patients and friends, ranging from no changes at all in sexual frequency or behavior to total abstinence from sex.

In February, 1983, McKusick designed a pilot questionnaire and passed out 70 to men walking out of bars in the Castro district and out of a popular bathhouse in the Folsom area. In addition, 15 Gay couples were mailed questionnaires. The researchers then developed a more lengthy and detailed questionnaire, which was based partly on the responses of the test group.

The final version was five

pages containing 130 questions. The questions were designed to produce a brief medical history, show changes in all forms of drug usage, and show changes in sexual behavior since finding out about AIDS. The survey sought to establish a baseline of sexual frequency in the three most commonly used sexual outlets for sexually active Gay men: bathhouses, bars, and relationships. In addition, there was an attitudinal scale which allowed the respondent to express his agreement or disagreement with certain statements about AIDS and about its impact on his Gay lifestyle. Finally, a section was devoted to gathering much-needed data about patterns of Gay relationships over the past five years for each respondent, as well as frequency of sexual activity outside current relationships.

### SAMPLING

The research questionnaire was distributed to 1,000 men in San Francisco and the Bay Area as follows:

1. 175 Gay male couples (350 men) were mailed questionnaires. This sample was generated by previous research on Gay

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made the challenge in 1979 when he was convicted of lewd conduct. Reed had masturbated himself in front of a plainclothes officer at a rest stop urinal. The challenger was not a Gay activist, but became angered when he learned that he would be registered as a "sex offender" for his entire life.

Reed, formerly married and the father of children, has been living with the same man for ten years at Newhall. He had served 21 years in the U.S. Air Force, retiring honorably as a Senior Master Sergeant. He had worked steadily since his military career and had no prior arrests.

threat to society," the majority opinion says. "nor does his relatively simple sexual indiscretion place him in the ranks of those who commit more heinous registrable offenses." Justice Frank Richardson disagreed, calling the act of masturbation in public "introductory conduct" that could lead to "even more serious assaultive sex offenses."

The Supreme Court indicated that it might look with favor on voiding the entire sexual registration requirement, but the Reed challenge was only on the "lewd conduct" section. People convicted of some sex crimes still

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# \$12 Million for AIDS Likely from Congress

## Funds Pass House; Same Expected from Senate

by Wayne April

The House of Representatives passed, 309 to 92, a \$4.8 billion supplemental appropriations bill last Wednesday that includes \$12 million for AIDS research. The surprise money will be used to fund AIDS projects through the end of the government's fiscal year, which ends October 1. The Department of Health and Human Services will seek an additional \$14.5 million for AIDS in the 1984 fiscal budget.

The surprise funding came at the last minute and in a highly unusual way, according to spokespersons with the Gay Rights National Lobby and Congresswoman Barbara Boxer's office. Both GRNL and Boxer's office had been lobbying extensively for the AIDS appropriation before the Appropriations Committee and among members of the House. Three weeks earlier, GRNL arranged for testimony before the committee by Dr. Roger Enlow, Director of New York City's Office of Gay and Lesbian Health Concerns; Dr. David Ostrow, director of the Chicago Health De-

partment's AIDS Office; and Ginny Apuzzo, director of the National Gay Task Force.

Although the testimony was impressive, and was specifically mentioned as such later by health subcommittee chair William Natcher (D-Kentucky), the committee "was originally resistant" to the AIDS funds, according to GRNL spokesperson Tanyan Corman. It wasn't until an under the wire letter was received from Dr. Edward Brandt, Jr., assistant secretary for health in the Department of Health, saying that the administration wouldn't object to more

AIDS funding, that the funds got inserted into the bill.

"The committee was really angry with the Dept. of Health," said Corman. "They saw it as a sudden reversal on Brandt's part."

Brandt's letter provided a pretext for bringing the AIDS funding back up, according to Boxer aide Mike Housh. "Ordinarily, it's impossible to bring up a motion on a bill that has already been written out of committee, but Natcher did it. Anyone could have blocked it, but no one did."

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# Anderson a Possible Spoiler in 1984

By Barry Sussman  
Washington Post Staff Writer



JOHN B. ANDERSON  
... backed by one of every eight voters

John B. Anderson, who announced two weeks ago that he plans to run as a third-party candidate for president in 1984, could emerge as a spoiler who would keep the Democrats from regaining the White House, according to a new Washington Post-ABC News public opinion poll.

Anderson's present support from one of every eight voters is enough, the poll shows, to hurt seriously either of the two leading Democrats, former vice president Walter F. Mondale and Sen. John Glenn (D-Ohio).

Support for Mondale and Glenn has increased in recent weeks, and both are running ahead of President

Reagan in trial heats in the poll. But the lead of each disappears in a three-way race, with Anderson siphoning almost all his support from the Democratic candidate and virtually none from Reagan.

As in other recent polls, Glenn, bolstered by support from independent voters, does somewhat better than Mondale when pitted against Reagan. But the former vice president shows considerably more strength among the Democratic rank and file.

Mondale leads by a substantial margin over Glenn as the first choice for the party's nomination, and 70 percent of all Democrats list Mondale as no worse than their second choice.

By comparison, 49 percent of

Democrats list Glenn as their first or second choice. The poll, conducted last Wednesday through Sunday, also suggests that one of the key elements in the 1984 election, should Reagan run again, will be how candidates deal with a public whose political and economic outlook is sharply divided along income lines.

Those with household incomes of more than \$20,000 a year—roughly half the voters—are generally optimistic that the national economy has turned the corner and tend to give Reagan high grades for his handling of the presidency.

The other half, below \$20,000 a year, however, tend to doubt that the economy is improving, give Reagan negative ratings on most issues

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## Anderson Possible 1984 Spoiler

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and generally regard him as a rich man's president.

In political terms, this puts either of the two leading Democratic candidates substantially ahead of Reagan among voters with low to moderate incomes, but both trail Reagan among the other half with higher incomes.

Overall, the poll shows Mondale now leading Reagan by 49 to 44 per-

cent among registered voters, a turnaround since mid-May, when a Post-ABC News poll showed the Minnesota trailing by 47 to 42. But with Anderson included as a third candidate, Mondale and Reagan are tied—39 to 39—with Anderson drawing 13 percent. Glenn now holds a wide lead over Reagan in a two-way race—52 to 40 percent among registered voters—after being even at 44 to 44 in May.

But with Anderson included, it again becomes a virtual dead heat: 40 percent for Glenn, 39 percent for Reagan and 13 percent for Anderson.

Anderson received 6.7 percent of the national vote for president as an independent candidate in 1980. Despite his background as a longtime Republican congressman, most of his support then came from Democrats and independents.

But had Jimmy Carter taken all of Anderson's votes, he still would not have defeated Reagan, who won with 51 percent. In an interview with Washington Post staff writer Bill Peterson two weeks ago, Anderson said he is drafting a set of principles for a third political party which he hopes to get off the ground by fall.

He said he plans to run despite the belief that a third-party candidate could not win.

"The emphasis has to be on establishing a new national debate whether you win the election or not," he said. Calling the two major parties "captives of special interests," he argued that "somebody ought to break the gridlock."

The Post-ABC News poll also attempted to test the political strength of Jesse Jackson, the black activist leader who is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination. In a trial heat between Reagan and Jackson as the Democratic candidate, Reagan leads, 55 to 29 among registered voters, according to the poll.

Jackson trails far behind Mondale and Glenn as the preferred nominee among Democratic voters, but he leads the rest of the pack. The poll shows 42 percent for Mondale, 26 percent for Glenn, 8 percent for Jackson, 7 percent for Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.), 3 percent for former Florida governor Reubin Askew, 2 percent for Sen. Gary Hart (D-Colo.) and 1 percent for Sen. Ernest F. Hollings (D-S.C.).

On the Republican side, the favored nominee should Reagan decide not to run is Vice President Bush, supported by 52 percent of the Republican voters interviewed.

Placing second is Sen. Howard H. Baker Jr. (R-Tenn.), with 25 percent, followed by Sen. Robert J. Dole (R-Kan.) with 10 percent and Rep. Jack Kemp (R-N.Y.) with 7 percent.

Polling assistant Kenneth E. John contributed to this report.

### THE WASHINGTON POST/ABC NEWS POLL

#### PREFERENCES OF REGISTERED VOTERS FOR PRESIDENT

Q. If the 1984 presidential election were held today and the candidates were Ronald Reagan the Republican and Walter Mondale the Democrat, for whom would you vote? ... Reagan the Republican and John Glenn the Democrat? ... Reagan the Republican, Mondale the Democrat, and John Anderson the Independent? ... Reagan the Republican, Glenn the Democrat, and Anderson the Independent?

	REAGAN	MONDALE	OTHER/WOULD NOT VOTE NO OPINION	
ALL VOTERS	44%	49%	7%	
HOUSEHOLD INCOME UNDER \$20,000	34%	58%	8%	
\$20,000 OR MORE	52%	42%	6%	
	REAGAN	GLENN	OTHER/WOULD NOT VOTE NO OPINION	
ALL VOTERS	40%	52%	8%	
HOUSEHOLD INCOME UNDER \$20,000	30%	62%	8%	
\$20,000 OR MORE	48%	44%	8%	
	REAGAN	MONDALE	ANDERSON	OTHER/WOULD NOT VOTE NO OPINION
ALL VOTERS	39%	39%	13%	9%
	REAGAN	GLENN	ANDERSON	OTHER/WOULD NOT VOTE NO OPINION
ALL VOTERS	39%	40%	13%	8%

FIGURES ARE BASED ON 1,110 TELEPHONE INTERVIEWS WITH REGISTERED VOTERS FROM JUNE 15 TO 19.

### How the Poll Was Conducted

The Washington Post-ABC News poll on attitudes toward the 1984 presidential election and other issues was conducted last Wednesday through Sunday. In all, 1,501 people were interviewed in a random sample of voting age citizens.

Theoretically, figures based on a poll of 1,501 people are subject to a margin of sampling error of about 3 percent, 95 percent of

the time. Figures based on a portion of the sample—such as the 634 people who said they were Democrats—are subject to a slightly higher margin of sampling error.

In line with routine polling practice, the sample was slightly adjusted to match Census Bureau figures for age, sex, race and education for the entire voting age population.

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limiting sexual contact outside of the relationships.

### HEPATITIS LINK

Many epidemiologists and medical researchers believed that the transmission of hepatitis served as a model for the transmission of the AIDS infective agent. Similarly as would the hepatitis virus, AIDS is thought to be transmitted through intimate physical contact that involves exchange of bodily fluids. Some believe that the AIDS agents may be linked to the hepatitis virus. If this is the case,

"Whatever the cause, this disaster has renewed my determination to fight our oppressors, whether microscopic monsters or microscopic minds."

the price of behavior that Gay men engage in that predisposes them to hepatitis may also predispose them to AIDS. More specifically, as a history of hepatitis correlates highly in our sample with frequency of bathhouse attendance, it is evident that engaging in high risk behavior frequently in the context of a bathhouse can result in a heightened risk of contracting AIDS more than any other form of sexual activity (bar-going, sex in monogamous relationships, or high or low frequency sexual activity outside relationships).

Incidence of hepatitis was next highest in the men who practice risk forms of sexual behavior (contacts more than three times per month outside the primary relationship).

The bar group (men not in relationships who go to bars for

(neither agree nor disagree) than other groups about whether they are more susceptible to AIDS than other people.

These men, who are not in relationships and who probably use the bathhouses as their primary sexual outlet, appear to have changed their behavior least as a result of AIDS. However, they are as worried as others about AIDS and are aware that their behavior is placing them at risk. A content analysis of handwritten responses by bath group respondents found that this group is changing its sexual behavior perhaps to the same degree as those in other groups within their particular sexual context. As an example, before, a respondent may have had sex in a public room,

without washing between partners. Since hearing about AIDS, he may now stay in his own private cubicle and inspect his potential sexual partners, and wash after. The respondent then believes that those who continue to use the public rooms are at high risk for AIDS and he is not. That kind of assumption was more evident to the researchers in this group than in others, although many respondents across groups supplied the rationale for how they were not at

"I suppose one could compare AIDS with Russian Roulette — except one doesn't know who fired the gun, if a bullet emerged, and if the wound is fatal."

risk and others were in the handwritten portion. Defensive psychological reaction formations of this type are to be expected in the face of a diffuse life threat such

sexual activity requires more planning and preparation (lubricants and clothes removal) than oral sex and may indicate more forethought on the part of low-out respondents before having sex. This group also tended to have changed the selection of new sexual partners toward more healthful adaptations than the high-out group.

The monogamous group had the lowest incidence of all forms of hepatitis, the highest number of respondents who had never tried recreational drugs such as psychedelics, stimulants, and Amyl Nitrite. They displayed the strongest sentiment that they are less susceptible to AIDS than others. They agreed most that single men should find a lover because of AIDS and displayed the highest level of agreement that bathhouses should be closed of any group. They also showed the least change in sexual behaviors inside their relationships. The mean age of this group is between 30 and 34 years old.

Logically, this appears to be the group least at risk in the AIDS epidemic, if the disease is transmitted through bodily fluids and intimate contact. However, this group also demonstrates a high level of agreement with the statement that they are worried more since finding out about AIDS. Content analysis of written responses yields the fact that many had "closed" their



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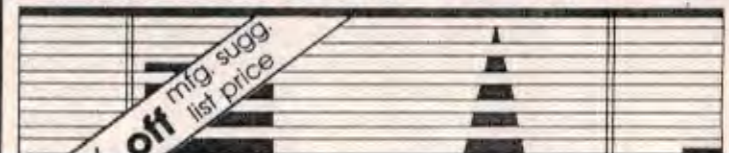
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in spiritual concerns than any other group in response to AIDS and had reduced or stopped their use of Amyl Nitrite more than any other group. This

"This has affected our relationship greatly, although not necessarily in a negative way. It has brought an element of fear and doubt, and concern into our lives that was not there before."

group also had a lower mean age than any other group. They tended to agree that it would be best for them to be in a monogamous relationship almost as much as men who are monogamous; at the same time, they tended to have had the least number of six-month relationships over the past five years of any of the groups. They were more likely than other groups to have changed their method of partner selection since finding out about AIDS in more self-protective ways.

The researchers deduced that those people who can delay sexual gratification by meeting people, even if only in a bar context, tended to be healthier and use their awareness about AIDS to limit potentially risk-exposing behavior, but also appeared less likely to maintain longer-term relationships.

This finding is diametrically opposed to the *bath group*, more of whom know they are involved in high risk behavior that they shouldn't be having. They also were the most likely to disagree with the statement that the bathhouses should be closed. Like the bar group, they tend to have had fewer six month relationships than other groups, a higher percentage of Hepatitis B than the bar group, but a lower incidence of herpes simplex than all other groups. Use of Amyl Nitrite has stayed the same for more of these respondents. They tend to be more non-committal

are currently in relationships with a higher frequency of sex outside, exceeding three times per month) were more likely to have had Hepatitis B than any

other groups. The mean age for this group is higher than the sample mean, more men falling in the 40-67 range than other groups. They are not more committed to their lovers since finding out about AIDS and less likely to desire to be monogamous. They are second in agreement to the bath group to the attitude that they have sex that they know they should not be having. They have decreased the use of bookstores, tearooms and parks for sex less than other groups. As these men are highly sexually active and are more likely to get Hepatitis B, the researchers deduced that they are at higher risk for AIDS than all the bath group; they also seem less compelled to develop or commit themselves to their primary relationships as a defense against AIDS.

The *low-out group* (men currently in primary relationships with three or fewer sexual contacts outside per month) tended to engage in three-way sex with their partner and one other man more than other relationship groups. The mean age for this group fell between 30 and 34 years. These men tended to have more anal intercourse, both active and passive, than the high-out group; both with their primary partner and with outside contacts, as well as experiencing a lower incidence of hepatitis and herpes simplex. One possible explanation for the difference in preference is that this kind of

AIDS. Respondents also expressed fear or alarm over the hypothetical incubation period for AIDS, realizing that although monogamous, they are still at risk.

### CONCLUSIONS

The AIDS epidemic has been shown by the survey to already have had a profound impact on attitudes and sexual behaviors in the respondents in this sample. Dramatic increases or stopping have occurred in most forms of drug usage, and the overall level of sexual contact with new or anonymous partners has decreased in all arenas of sexual activity. An alarming number of these men, however, are still engaging in high risk behavior which, according to current epidemiological thinking, has not removed them from danger of infection. As the rate of infection is climbing exponentially while this report is being submitted, it is evident that measures Gay men are currently taking to avoid infection have begun, but are still inadequate.

As the survey indicates, the Gay men surveyed are still poorly informed about disease transmission or are unwilling or unable to change sexual patterns in a manner that will place them at lower risk. Those men who are bath-goers, or who have a high frequency of sex outside their primary relationships, are both more likely to contract other sexually transmitted diseases and less likely to modify their sexual behavior more healthfully. They are thus more likely to become victims than men who use bars for sexual contact, men in monogamous relationships, or men who have a low frequency of sex outside their primary relationships. It is therefore important to inform these men that they are at risk, and to help them make

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couples as well as from mailing lists of Gay organizations and included referrals from early respondents.

2. 350 men were handed questionnaires as they left Gay bars between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. The verbal instructions were to take the form home, fill it out, and mail it back in a stamped, pre-addressed envelope. The areas selected for sampling were representative of a cross-section of San Francisco Gay bars, including Castro, Fol-

portunity for respondents to express some of their reactions, using the vehicle of the questionnaire as a vent. This explanation is reinforced by the handwritten additions to the backs of questionnaires returned by about one-third of the sample. These expressed varying concerns, theories about transmission, and personal disclosures in response to the disease. Such comments provide another indication as to how profoundly AIDS is influencing the social and emotional adaptation of the Gay community as represented by this sample.

"Bathhouses are the places where bacteria develop. It's in the air."

som, Polk, and Pacific Heights neighborhoods.

3. 300 questionnaires were distributed between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. at the baths. As men left six popular bathhouses in San Francisco, they were asked to volunteer and given the same instructions as the bar sample.

The rate of walk-aways, or men who refused to accept the questionnaires, was twice as high for the baths (21%) as for the bars (11%). The sidewalks outside the bathhouses are less well-lit than outside the bars, which may indicate that men emerging from bathhouses are more suspicious of strangers on the street. In fact, most of those who did refuse questionnaires walked rapidly away. An explanation the researchers can offer for a higher percentage of bathhouse refusals is a lack of motivation to change behavior on the part of this group, resulting in a higher level of

## DEMOGRAPHICS

This sample of sexually active Gay men displays various social and ethnic characteristics as follows:

By occupation, 54% are professionals, 16% clerical, 11% skilled manual labor, 13% retired, and 2% unemployed. Four percent cited no occupation.

By residency, 83% of the respondents are from the Bay Area, 13% from other Bay Area counties, and 4% from outside

"On the one hand, I'm concerned about going to bed with anyone; on the other I refuse to live in a cocoon."

the Bay Area. These last respondents were excluded from statistical analysis. Mean length of residence is 8.7 years.

Racially, 84% are white, 3% black, 5% Hispanic, 3% Asian, and 5% other. Three percent left this item blank. The mean in-

Regarding general health, the average number of work days missed last year was six. Seven (1%) had been diagnosed as having AIDS; 142 (24%) had had an attack of herpes simplex; 118 (20%) had had Hepatitis A; 185 (31%) had contracted Hepatitis B; 24 (4%) knew that they had had hepatitis in the past, but did not know which type. Nine of the men were chronic hepatitis carriers.

An obviously health-concerned group, 361 respondents had visited their physicians in the first quarter of 1983, and 159 in the last six months of 1982. Only 50 men in the entire sample had not visited a doctor within the last year. Eight percent, or 50 men, are currently in psychotherapy. Since they have found out about AIDS, 27% of the respondents reported seeing their physicians more often.

In sexual behaviors, the researchers found that 280 men, 46% of the sample, don't go to the baths; 105 (18%) go once a month, 77 (13%) go to the baths two to three times a month, and 137 (23%) go once a week or more.

Similarly, 55%, or 330 individuals in our sample, meet men in bars for sex less than once a month, 16%, or 96 men, do once a month, 16% do this two to three times a month, and 12%, or 72, meet men in bars for sex once a week or more often.

## PARTNER CHANGES

Respondents were asked whether they had changed their selection of sexual partners in the following ways since finding out about AIDS:

1. Having sex with men that

Changes In Specific Sexual Behavior With New or Anonymous Contacts Since Respondent First Found Out About Aids:

	Never Did	Stopped	Less	Same	More
French kissing	6%	6%	32%	54%	2%
Rimming new contact	46%	28%	25%	11%	—
Getting rimmed by new contact	25%	17%	24%	29%	1%
Anal intercourse receptive	20%	15%	28%	33%	3%
Active anal intercourse	11%	9%	29%	45%	6%
Sucking new contact	6%	5%	30%	55%	4%
Getting sucked	2%	3%	15%	71%	9%
Mutual masturbation	11%	2%	5%	54%	28%
Fisting	80%	6%	6%	6%	2%
Water sports	78%	6%	8%	7%	1%

publicity about AIDS. Finally, some respondents reacted by curbing the level of their sexual activity overall, and in some cases have inhibited sexual impulses altogether.

## RISK GROUPS

The researchers consulted with medical and epidemiological researchers regarding AIDS transmission through sexual activity. One current theory is that the infective agent for AIDS is transmitted through exchange of body fluids. The following types of sexual behavior which have a greater possibility of body fluid exchange are designed as high risk.

*With New Or Anonymous Contacts:* French kissing, active oral-anal contact — rimming, active oral-genital contact — sucking, anal intercourse — receptive, fisting, and water sports. Some researchers also believe that within primary relationships, fisting, water sports, and active rimming were also high risk behavior, because of the shock to the immunological system and the possible transmission of residual infective agents from the anal tract to the blood stream.

Based on these guidelines, the researchers computed the num-

fluids, an elimination of the behaviors cited above places a man at lower risk for contracting the disease. The sample of 600 men shows an attempt at reduction of some of the behaviors by 30%; however, an alarming number of at least some form of high risk behavior in the majority (62%) of the respondents persists.

## IMPACT

Although a complete factor analysis of all items is not ready for inclusion in this article, it is possible to make the following assertions about the impact of AIDS on the psychological adjustment of the Gay men sampled.

The vast majority is more worried since finding out about AIDS. The level of denial of the problems posed by AIDS seems to be low with only 3% agreeing with the attitude that one need not worry because a cure is forthcoming. Eight percent expresses the sentiment that they have heard too much about AIDS, and only 7% says that AIDS has not affected them.

Suspicion and paranoia (reflected by the statement that AIDS is a conspiracy) found only 6% in agreement, although more respondents in their hand-



chers in their endeavor. The explanation is substantiated below when this group is compared with other respondents on the significant measures within the survey itself.

The return rate of questionnaires was much higher than normally expected for survey research. As of April 1, 600 men, or 60%, had returned it through the mail. Another 40 sent them back later, but were not included in the initial data analysis.

The breakdown of returns was as follows: 204 of the 350 men in couples (58%), 213 of the 350 men sampled outside bars (61%), and 183 of the 300 bathgoers (61%) returned the questionnaires. This high rate of return is explained by the growing level of concern, interest and alarm about AIDS in the community in the months up to April, when the questionnaire was administered, and the op-

with the mean at 35 years.

With respect to relationships, interesting data emerges. Three hundred and seventy-six, or 63% of the sample, are currently in a primary relationship which has lasted six months or more where the partners have sex together the majority of the time. Of these 376 men, 82, or 22%, are "monogamous". Four hundred and fifty-four, or 76% of the sample, reported having had one or more six-month relationships over the past five years. The mean length of all relationships listed by the respondents is 3.2 years. Of the men in relationships, the average number of sexual encounters per month with their partner is 10 times, or about once every three days. For the non-monogamous relationships, average number of outside sexual contacts per month was found to be four, or about once per week.

2. Getting to know partners sexual and health habits before having sex with them; 20% responded affirmatively.

3. Serial monogamy, or having a series of sexual encounters with one man before moving on to another; 20% said yes.

Twenty-six percent of the respondents cited other changes in selection of their partners and listed a variety of adaptive strategies, such as:

Sex less often; Asking for physical contact and jacking off; Sleeping with straights and bisexuals only; Joining introduction services; Avoiding people who look unhealthy; Meeting people introduced by friends or at parties; Secondary boyfriends to the primary relationship; No sex with Americans, only sex in Europe; Invite people to come home, making sex less anonymous; Making a relationship more monogamous; Only having sex with my lover and other monogamous couples we trust in a four-way situation; Dating prior to sex; Celibacy; Considering abstaining from sex;

Analysis of these varying strategies revealed to the researchers three major shifts in types of partner selection. First, some people were reducing the number of contacts overall and increasing the frequency of sex with known partners. Secondly, some were more attentive to surface characteristics of their partners that might provide reassurance that they are not AIDS carriers (e.g., European, healthy-looking, straight).

Many of these attributes were found by the researchers to be based on erroneous assumptions or colored by respondents' preferences and prejudices. In many cases, they were less an adaptive response to AIDS than a response to internal fears or pressures or were abstracted from the

groups are not mutually exclusive.

1. No Risk: For the entire sample of 600 men, 54 or 9% were found to not engage in any

*As a Black, I am concerned about AIDS but not unduly stressed. These diseases generally do not appear to me to affect my people to the degree they hit whites.*

risk behavior. Thirty-seven of these men were in monogamous relationships and 17 had stopped or never engaged in any of the risk behaviors with new or anonymous contacts or in their primary relationships.

2. Heightened Risk: 41 or 7% of the men in our sample had increased the frequency of at least one high risk behavior since they had found out about AIDS. A closer look showed that the majority of the increases were in receptive anal intercourse and sucking with new contacts. This may be a compensatory response to decreases in other high risk behaviors. The mean age of this group is lower than the mean for the entire sample, most falling in the 18 to 29 year old age group. These respondents may be increasing high risk behaviors out of ignorance, disregard, or confusion about health guidelines, or by shifting from one risk behavior to another.

3. Risk Reducers: 177 or 30% of the sample had stopped or reduced at least one high risk behavior without an increase in any other high risk behavior since finding out about AIDS.

4. Respondents Still At Risk: 372 or 62% of the men in the sample continued to engage at the same frequency or more since they found out about AIDS in at least one high risk behavior with new or anonymous contacts.

If AIDS transmission occurs through the exchange of body

Whereas most men agreed that some concern about their sexual behavior was necessary to avoid AIDS, few believe that

they must abstain completely from sex and 76% did not want to close down bathhouses. This indicates that most feel that constraints on sexual behavior should come from personal monitoring of one's own behavior and not from externally imposed authority.

AIDS seems to have little impact on Gay respondents' desire to change their sexual orientation, nor does it appear to signal a return to "closeted" social relations, nor a high level of overt sentiment that Gay sex is wrong. Any internalized homophobia Gay men may be experiencing in the face of AIDS emerges from the attitudinal section of this questionnaire at low level, as only a small percentage (4%) believe Gay sex is wrong and think of becoming heterosexuals.

Those men who feel they are not as susceptible as others to AIDS are in monogamous relationships. Those who feel they have little control over whether or not they get AIDS are more in the bath group; bath goers and men with a high frequency of outside sex feel they are having sex that they should not be having.

Most men sampled believe that it would be best for them to be in a monogamous relationship. In general, the trend as reflected by the attitudinal section is more toward forming relationships, feeling more committed to existing relationships, and

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the painful adjustments necessary to place them at lower risk.

This survey did not seek to reach men who have drastically curtailed all social and sexual activity as a result of AIDS. However, it appears that some men in the sample have chosen this course and may be representative of a much larger group who have responded appropriately in terms of eliminating contact with the infective agent. They may be experiencing reactive difficulties in psychological and social functioning, however. Public information agencies may need to become aware of the special needs of this group, and to provide positive recommendations as to the type of sexual and social contact still "safe" by cur-

rent thinking about AIDS transmission. AIDS has had little impact on respondents' questions about sexual identity, although it has inspired worry, fear, and some guilt about sexual behavior, as well as a desire to be in relationships. One offshoot of the AIDS epidemic may be that men will overcome their resistance or inability to commit to primary relationships, which may shift the overall sociology of the Gay community from a singles-oriented to a couples-oriented source of stability. Gay men may be forced out of fear to endure the abrasions of adjustment in their relationships, particularly since the major outlet for sexual and aggressive energy (that is, sex outside a relationship) has now been found to place men at risk for AIDS. The question will be posed by the threat of A<sup>1</sup>D<sup>2</sup> whether men can adjust and

own blood account along with the congregation's own 'Phooey on AIDS Fund.' The need for Lesbians and Gay men to join together has never been stronger."

## Women's Course Offered at City College

For the first time, a course in women's studies will be offered at the Castro/Valencia site of the San Francisco Community College. "The Female Experience," taught by Peg Cruikshank, will meet Thursday evenings in the fall term, which begins August 16. The course will include interdisciplinary readings in women's studies, a unit on women

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adapt in their social patterns to facilitate smooth relationship functioning and manage all of two-men's sexual appetites and energies. Thus Gay men who are newly monogamous or who desire to redirect their sexual and emotional resources toward primary relationships now have the negative impetus of fear of AIDS to motivate them.

The long-term affect of AIDS on Gay men's sexual patterns is still in question and trends may change as new medical information is brought to light. The start in the direction of lower risk behavior reflected in the survey points to the confusion Gay men are experiencing in the face of conflicting advice and publicity, as well as difficulty for these adults to rapidly change patterns of behavior developed over years of psychological and social ad-

## to Miami Beach

More than 4,000 participants entered the "Why I Love Miami Beach" contest in March and one of the first prize winners was an openly Gay man, according to Florida's *The Weekly News*.

Bob Kunst, who led the opposition to Anita Bryant's campaign and waged his own battle for the Florida governorship recently, was one of two adult winners in the creative writing contest. The City of Miami Beach sponsored the contest for its 68th Birthday Jubilee.

For winning, Kunst received a check for \$25, a key to the City of Miami Beach, and a "The Courtesies of the Police Department are extended to" card. ■

justment. The attempts at shaping sexual behavior appear to be accompanied by worry, fear, and guilt, as well as defensive formulations as to what behaviors need to be eliminated and which maintained.

The question of whether these changes, as reflected in the survey, are temporary or the beginning of an ongoing trend in the Gay male lifestyle can only be answered in the months to come. As more friends of respondents are diagnosed or die, as more media coverage emerges, and as public information outreach to these men continues, the researchers predict that the changes described in this article will continue; that the Gay community will become more alarmed and suffer the pain of psychological adjustment to a greater degree in the months to come. ■

# Schwab Discusses AIDS Effects

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AIDS is transmitted similar to hepatitis—blood, sex, intimate contact. If I survive this, I will have a completely different attitude toward monogamy.

If people think they should stop going to the baths or bookstores, if they should eat and sleep regularly, I don't see where that can possibly hurt. The bottom line is that as long as gay males continue to go to bed together when there is an epidemic raging, that until we can identify the people who are carriers and infectious, it will continue. People will contract AIDS at about the same rate. Anything else is fooling people.

**Are the policies on giving blood valid?**  
I don't know. There seems to be a belief that some few have contracted AIDS through blood. I think we can use that for political terrorism. In Dallas, the conservative hotbed of the community, there has come the idea that if research money is not forthcoming at a certain level by a certain date, that all gay males should give blood. The Alert Citizens Group there is charging that gays are a clear threat and that's why they are calling for House Bill 2138, or reenactment of 21.06.

It's political terrorism. There is a *New York Times* editorial that states the reason nothing has been done about AIDS is because it affects gay people. What's going to happen is a terrible, terrible epidemic, perhaps unparalleled in the 20th century, because of the government's built-in bias. If it takes threatening, and perhaps giving blood to get us the money, the research funds we need, that may be it. That doesn't mean I'm condoning that.

**Would the Republican convention in Dallas be an opportunity to speak out on this?**

I think as long as gay people are dying in droves, and that's what is actually happening, 18 people in Houston have died in the past two years, and the number had gone up exponentially, then I think whatever action is required to get national attention is valid. If that includes blood terrorism, so be it.

**Will you go on the record with that?**  
Yes.

**Six months ago would you have said the same thing?**

No. Six months ago I had a blind faith in the medical community.... We need to very carefully examine the objectives of the KSC Committee, or any group that's raising money. We have to be careful that we are not recreating the wheel. What we really need to do is use existing professional lobbyists that are the best in the country. If the groups are trying to achieve some sort of halfway house for KS victims, AIDS victims, for those that don't have money or insurance, that's good. If they are trying to operate an educational clearing house because existing facilities are not enough, then we have to be very careful about duplication of effort. Simply giving money to solve the problem is ineffective.

**A restrictive gift, or general?**  
Restrictive. Simple things can be done. A few scratch skin tests can indicate if you have immune system problems. At Anderson something like 70% of patients being tested are coming in with immunological problems. Perhaps not the seriousness of AIDS. But people who are exhibiting one or two symptoms, and have any lung problems, they should be tested immediately. The need is immediate.

**Did you have any suspicions you were ill? Did you suspect it was AIDS?**

I suspected it was AIDS. The doctor suspected it was AIDS and we ran a series of tests. The tests did not indicate it up until the end. We discovered that I had a virulent amoeba that would explain weight loss and fever. We did blood testing. We did blood gases. We did X-rays. But it became clear that my breathing was fail-

ing regardless of the tests. We did every test including T-cell test, and repeated the tests.

**Were you taking all precautions possible during this time?**

I was not having sex. I was basically bedridden. I certainly wasn't infecting anyone else. I felt so bad that I restricted myself.

I cut out tetracycline, because I believe it's immuno-suppressant when taken over several years as I had been. There is evidence that it is immuno-suppressant. But dermatologists have routinely prescribed it for years. I began eliminating any prescription drugs so as not to complicate any diagnostic work. I was unable to breathe. I was diarrhetic. I would lose weight, have terrible fevers and night chills, but I didn't have the other symptoms. No lymph node problems. So I never had all the classic symptoms.

That's very important. Don't wait for all the symptoms. If you wait for all the symptoms—you're dead. The disease is not well enough understood to have classic symptoms. General symptoms—a gay man losing weight, with unexplained fevers, any breathing troubles, and lesion problems, it's time to get tests, expensive tests—quickly.

Now more than ever, it's important that gays be open with their physicians. And if they're not comfortable, then it's time to find one they can be comfortable with. Those of us that survive, will survive because we've received treatment from people who know how to respond quickly. One has to be very honest and candid. It's too late in this health crisis to be concerned with what your physician thinks of you because you are gay.

As to my own survival—on a cosmic scale it isn't very important—personally it's very important. I am optimistic that I will survive. There is no question that I will do whatever is necessary to survive. But until such time as I can either rebuild my system spontaneously, or chemically, or until something happens, I'm also a realist. I will take those steps to prepare for what I hope is an unnecessary alternative. I feel at 35, considering the number of things I've done, it's just too much of a waste to die this way.

**What projects do you want to carry on with?**

We simply must end the 21.06 battle. It's all entwined with DDAA. We have to knock that out. It is time to teach DDAA a lesson that they're not going to be able to discriminate against gays and they are going to have them on the police force. We are going to make sure it happens.

Third, Richard Longstaff is going to become an American citizen, if I have anything to do with it. A&M is going to have a recognized gay student services. Abolish vestiges of discriminatory governmental regulations. We've got an attorney general who can. Continue the long and uphill battle of public education.

Ultimately the battle for gay rights won't be won legally, it will be won through public education. Legal victories will be a form of public education. We must continue to go forward—continue to explain what gay lifestyle is and what it is not, the pride of gays. The tremendous self-help. The fact that we've taken a diverse group of people and formed a community.

Public education has always been the key. We should not rely on volunteer groups, but get the best that money can buy. That's the way things are done in the real world and that's the way it must be done in the area of gay rights. The progress we can make will be unlimited.

I look forward to a rapid recovery, back in practice my clients can be assured that associates are taking care to their cases, and soon I hope to personally.



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# Groups Address US House Subcommittee

Virginia Apuzzo, executive director of the National Gay Task Force (NGTF), Dr. David Ostrow of Chicago's Howard Brown Memorial Clinic and Dr. Roger Enlow, director of New York City's Office of Gay and Lesbian Health Concerns, gave testimony to increase AIDS funding on May 12 to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education.

The Hearing was on fiscal year 1984 funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and was one of the many AIDS-related measures being lobbied by the Gay Rights National Lobby.

Apuzzo proposed several specific steps in her testimony. "Today I call upon the Congress of the United States to appro-

riate (funds) for a comprehensive and coordinated program of research on AIDS in order to stop this frightful waste of lives and resources. ... I call upon NIH to speed up the procedures for reviewing AIDS research grant requests and to release funds already available. I call upon the Assistant Secretary for Health to make public his agenda for dealing with this crisis. We need to know if the government has a plan, and what it is, in order to coordinate private efforts and research, and to coordinate studies at other levels of government."

Enlow observed, "The number of individuals reported to the CDC six months ago occurred at the rate of one per day. We are now told that at least six new cases are

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Virginia Apuzzo

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# Activist Attorney Robert Schwab is AIDS Victim

By William Marberry and  
Hollis Hood

Robert Schwab, a Houston attorney and president of the Texas Human Rights Foundation, has been diagnosed as having Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. Schwab was the attorney in the landmark Baker vs. Wade case which ruled the Texas sodomy law unconstitutional last year.

Hospitalized for about two months with pneumocystis, living a virtual "bubble" existence avoiding any kind of infection, he says that recovery will not be complete until his immune system is fully restored.

Schwab is aware of the devastating statistics of the disease and has written his own obituary. He consented to this interview in the hospital to state his views—from a victim's perspective—of what should be done regarding AIDS.

**GAY NEWS:** You have been very persistent in thinking you are dying. Why? Attitude is very important in recovery.

**SCHWAB:** I have a very good attitude. It's just very difficult to pick up a magazine or newspaper and read that the average pneumocystis victim has a life expectancy of seven months. It's difficult to pick up something like *Newsweek*, which is fairly accurate, and read that of those people who had AIDS for three or more years only 14% are alive. It's also difficult when your blood pressure is very, very low and you are very, very sick not to take the prudent course of action and believe perhaps the end is near.

**What precautions?**

I feel that due to the nature of the disease, I may never be truly recovered. It depends on how you define recovery. I am recovering from the pneumocystis. My concern is, which is echoed by the medical community, is what happens when I go out and sit next to someone who has a cold? What do you do then? Take antibiotics, some of which I'm allergic to or are not effective?

**What do you think should be done, being at the receiving end, for research? How would you allocate, say, the quarter of a**



Robert Schwab, Texas Human Rights Foundation president and AIDS victim

million dollars raised at the circus in New York by the Gay Men's Health Crisis organization?

I would use it to shake out professional lobbyists, to shake loose research funding from existing groups—professional groups. There are existing groups for Anderson (M.D. Anderson Cancer Research) that shake out the National Cancer Institute for funds. Existing funds. To start from scratch and create our own program, or create our own lobbying efforts, is futile.

By the time we get that started, and to the level of expertise that the other's already have, it would not be cost effective. I believe the money should be used to

hire existing lobbying efforts in the medical community whose soul function is to get money for specific purposes.

I think groups like Gay Men's Health Crisis and people in medicine should explain how a university or research institute obtains its funding. You need to educate people. The money that's being raised can only be seed money because of the immense sums that research requires. That money should be used for lobbyists.

**Knowing what you know now, if you could go back, do you think you could avoid being in the position you are in today?**

I have led a very conservative lifestyle. The nights that I haven't been in bed by 10:30 or 11:00 p.m. are a handful. I have had a conservative number of sexual partners; I have not been monogamous. I have never been to the bookstore, hardly ever been to the baths, and have avoided group sex.

Even the sexual practices are not unusual. My use of drugs is minimal. So I don't know. There is a specific person that I had sex with, that in retrospect, had mentioned that he had been through a number of doctors and a number of illnesses that had not been diagnosed. It's quite possible he was my contact. That's complete conjecture. I'm afraid to call him, I'm afraid he's dead.

**What if you call him and he's alive and well?**

It would be difficult to find that out because you can't be on the road to recovery until your immune system is restored. There is documentation of some instances of spontaneous immune system recovery. Anderson has a program that they claim has a 30% recovery on reversing the ratio of the T-cells, which of course, is the real problem with AIDS. But they cannot increase the number.

They can get the "killer T-cells" and the "suppressor T-cells" to proliferation, but they can't get the total number up to what it needs to be for survival. When I can go out into public and not worry about dying from a minor infection, I'll be recovered. It's possible that may occur, but at this time there is very limited hope other than experimentation in one or two places in the country. We're at the Buck Rogers edge of medical technology.

**So is there anything to the avoidance theory?**

The only thing I have read is an affidavit attached to (the) Baker vs. Wade (court case) that states the chances of a monogamous gay male couple, who have been monogamous for two or more years, of contracting AIDS is minimal. The current theory, and it is only a theory, is that

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In a meeting with high-level government officials in Washington, D.C. on June 21st, representatives of the national gay/lesbian community called on the Reagan administration to dramatically increase resources devoted to fighting Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). Virginia M. Apuzzo, Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force, described the meeting as "...the first in a series of exchanges designed to present the gay/lesbian community's concerns to the administration." She further stated that she was "...encouraged by the administration's commitment to maintaining a dialogue with those most affected by AIDS."

The meeting with Judi Buckalew, Special Assistant to the President, and Thomas Donnelly, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Legislation, was arranged by NGTF. Representing the gay/lesbian community were Apuzzo; Jeff Levi, NGTF's Washington, D.C. representative; Michael Callen, co-founder of Gay Men with AIDS; and Dr. Marcus Conant, President of the Board of Directors of the AIDS/KS Foundation in San Francisco. Also attending were Jim Newton and Bob Roehr, of the Walt Whitman Republican Club, a local Washington, D.C. gay organization.

The gay community's representatives called on the administration to increase funding dramatically in response to the geometric rise in AIDS cases. "If the gay/lesbian community is to be convinced that AIDS is indeed being treated as our nation's number one health priority," commented Apuzzo, "the development of a long-range approach to AIDS is necessary. Unless one is forthcoming, we will be convinced that it's still 'business as usual'".

Callen reminded the administration officials that delays in research have a far greater significance for those already diagnosed with AIDS. He decried the fact that "...many worthy research projects have been forced to discontinue work because they have not been funded." He and others in the delegation highlighted the need for those support services for persons with AIDS, which are not being supplied because of insufficient government funding.

Dr. Conant suggested that "...the response of our government to the AIDS crisis should be the same as to an outside invasion. Unless we respond, a solution will be five or ten years down the road."

The National Gay Task Force will seek further meetings in the immediate future with officials of the Public Health Service, and Margaret Heckler, Secretary of Health and Human Services. "We are determined," declared Apuzzo, "to have gay/lesbian community involvement at every level of decision making regarding AIDS."

## ALAN CRANSTON AND THE GAY VOTE

By Andy Humm  
News Commentary

No candidate for the Democratic nomination for President speaks more naturally about lesbian and gay issues than Sen. Alan Cranston of California. Unlike those who support us because they're convinced they could not win if they did not, Cranston's support stems from his own convictions. "My experience as a foreign correspondent in Nazi Germany led to my stands on lesbian and gay issues," he says. "I saw how [Hitler] got the Communists, then he went after the Jews, then homosexuals, then Catholics, then every group was taken."

Cranston was in New York May 13th to meet with community and political groups. Peter Vogel of the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Democratic Clubs arranged a luncheon at Company Restaurant for the candidate and lesbian and gay politicians such as David Rothenberg of the City Human Rights Commission; Jim Levin and Bill Hirsch of Gay and Lesbian Independent Democrats; Joyce Hunter of the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights; Allen Roskoff, President of the New York chapter of Americans for Democratic Action; Paul Popham, President of Gay Men's Health Crisis; Chuck Fraser of the Lesbian and Gay Political Action Club of Queens, among others.

Ending the arms race and strengthening the economy while providing for full employment are the two "prime purposes" Cranston has established for his administration, should he be elected. He feels that the strength of the office has been "dissipated" by Presidents who wasted too much time on details of too many projects and ended up accomplishing very little. "With luck," he says, "the country survived." By concentrating on reversing the arms buildup (He says that the Reagan Administration plans to spend \$2 trillion on the military over the next five years), we can then focus our attention and resources on the priorities of education, skill training, improved medical care, clean air and water, and so on.

### He likes his chances

Cranston is not the Don Quixote candidate of the left. "I spent all of 1982 when I wasn't in the Senate wandering around the country and testing the waters," he says. "I concluded that nobody had a lock on the nomination, and that included Kennedy at the time." He discounts the candidacies of Sen. Fritz Hollings and former Florida Gov. Reuben Askew (a supporter of Anita Bryant in her heyday), and thinks Sen. Gary Hart will drop out early. That leaves him third behind Sen. John Glenn, whom he believes could run a good general election race but will not win enough primaries, and the front

runner, Walter Mondale. With some satisfaction, he notes that no front runner has won the Democratic nomination for President since Adlai Stevenson in 1956. He likes the present obscurity he enjoys among the candidates because it gives him the chance to campaign in the early key states such as Iowa and New Hampshire without the media hovering over him waiting for him to shoot himself in the foot. It also means that he doesn't have to win early primaries to do well; he just has to make respectable showings to be regarded as a serious candidate (whereas Mondale has to win big to protect his claim to be front runner).

If not the front runner, Cranston is the best runner in the field, even at age 68. "I have more energy than anybody," the tall, wiry candidate says, and cites his routine of running five miles a day at least four days a week to prove it. Of his age he says, "I am younger than Ronald Reagan and always will be."

A Cranston-Reagan match-up would be very interesting in California, since neither has ever lost an election there.

### Lesbian and gay issues

Cranston is not hedging on any of his commitments to the lesbian and gay community. He has gay staff members now and will continue with them in the White House. He would ban as much anti-gay discrimination as he could by executive order, including in the military. He has a record of supporting and sponsoring all pro-gay legislation in Congress, including the federal lesbian and gay rights bill and AIDS funding bills.

It is important to note that Cranston does not just talk like this to the gay press or to gay gatherings. Only two weeks before this meeting, he appeared on ABC News' *Nightline* program to advocate our cause (a role Mondale rejected when he was in town for the Human Rights Campaign Fund dinner last September). At a meeting with officials of the New Democratic Coalition, also on May 13th, Cranston listed lesbians and gay men among those in need of civil rights protection and did so without prompting from a gay questioner.

We don't need another President whom we're going to have to train on the job when it comes to our issues. And we certainly can't afford another four years of Reagan, whose closest gay advisers, as Larry Kramer says, are Nancy's designers. It's almost assured that any Democratic nominee will support the party's gay rights plank, but if we're being offered the chance to elect someone who understands lesbian and gay Americans' needs and responds to them, why not the best?

Those interested in getting involved with the Cranston campaign in New York should contact Addie Guttag at 697-9530.

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of having, VD. The other bill would make sexual contact other than heterosexual intercourse, punishable as a felony. Larry Bagnieris, president of the Houston Gay Political Caucus, says it is important for Gays there to make sure that neither bill gets out of committee.

"If they go to the legislature," says Bagnieris, "we're going to lose, because it will be a referendum on homosexuality." Bagnieris says that although Gays are

following both bills carefully, he expects they'll both be stopped in committee.

Finally, an intimidation bill which would set stiff penalties for those who target Gays for violence lost recently in Illinois, but a similar bill moved closer to passage in Oregon, where a House committee vote is expected Monday. However, Gay activists in Oregon note that the governor has already said he would veto the bill if it includes protections for Gays.

—Lisa M. Keen

## Hart joins list of Democratic aspirants seeking Gay support

Sen. Gary Hart (D-Co.) pledged to support an end to anti-Gay bias in a speech before the sixth annual Municipal Elections Committee of Los Angeles banquet April 23, attended by nearly 1,000 Gay men and Lesbians attired in formal evening wear. It was the first public appearance before a Gay political organization for Hart, who is waging a campaign for the 1984 Democratic presidential nomination.

"Your country needs you," Hart told the crowd at the Hollywood Palladium, "America needs your skill, your talent, your participation as citizens in order for it to be all America can be. Those Americans denied full equality insist on their rights. Those who are discriminated against renew America by demanding equality. I pledge to you tonight that I will work to remove every barrier. Politics at its best is inclusion, rather than exclusion."

Hart took the offensive in his speech against conservative columnist John Lofton, who criticized Hart's plans to appear at the dinner in a recent Washington Times column. Calling Lofton a "neanderthal journalist," Hart suggested that such criticism indicated "The Moral Majority has judged it's un-Christian to appear at your dinner. Intolerance is the order of the day. . . . This attack suggests how difficult the life of every Lesbian and Gay man must be."

Hart surprised some observers at the dinner, including Gay Rights National Lobby executive director Steve Endean, when he offered no remedies for existing discrimination and made no mention of the Senate Gay civil rights bill which he has been asked to co-sponsor. Hart is not

yet a co-sponsor of that measure, a point Lofton stressed in his article, quoting Hart press aide Kathy Bushkin as saying the former McGovern campaign aide had no plans to co-sponsor the measure. Bushkin could not be reached for comment.

"I knew he wasn't going to announce that he would co-sponsor," Endean said in a conversation at the dinner. "But I still somehow thought that when April 23 came to a close, he would be on the bill." Endean said he still believed Hart will co-sponsor the measure, an assessment shared by national political consultant and Hart confidante David Mixner, who helped arrange Hart's appearance at the dinner.

MECLA chairman Steve Smith announced that the group would broaden its agenda during the next year to include a specific outreach to Republicans, a commitment that was warmly applauded by the audience. He said the group also will undertake continued voter registration efforts and lobbying for state help on acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) research programs.

State Assembly President Willie Brown, in brief remarks to the group, also announced that he was convening a meeting of "leading researchers to frame proper budget amendments to make California the leading state researcher on AIDS, and that will be done in this session of the state legislature. AIDS is absolutely the single most threatening thing that any of us has been exposed to," Brown said. "We should lose not one moment to address that issue."

—Larry Bush

## Government prosecutors said to dislike handling Gay cases

Gertrude Stein Democratic Club President Joe Tom Easley this week said he has learned from sources within the United States Attorney's office here that many government prosecutors dislike handling cases in which Gays are the victim of crime and sometimes do whatever they can to avoid prosecuting such cases.

Easley, an attorney and professor at Antioch School of Law, told an April 26 meeting of the Gay Activists Alliance that a "disturbing pattern" appears to be developing with the U.S. Attorney's office indicating that Gay related cases are being prosecuted in a less vigorous manner than other cases.

Easley made his comments during a discussion on what GAA and other Gay activist groups should do in response to a decision by the U.S. Attorney's office last week to decline to prosecute a

Washington man who was arrested after he threatened National Gay Task Force official Jeff Levi with what appeared to be a handgun.

Police later identified the gun as a "replica" but expressed concern that the U.S. Attorney handling the case released the man. An official with the U.S. Attorney's office later said the decision not to prosecute was based on "incomplete information" and that steps were being taken to prosecute the man on a misdemeanor charge of simple assault.

Easley said he will contact U.S. Attorney Stanley Harris, the head of the U.S. Attorney's office for D.C. criminal cases, and request a meeting to discuss issues affecting the Gay community.

Assistant U.S. Attorney W. Randolph Teslik, chief of the U.S. Attorney's intake section, has denied Gays are being treated unfairly by his office. Teslik's

view is shared by Assistant U.S. Attorney James Owens, who heads the office's misdemeanor division. Owens said he instructs government attorneys to exert special care when handling Gay related cases since he views such cases as sensitive.

Easley and Levi, who is also president of GAA, said they are asking Gays and

others to contact them about any experiences they have had with the U.S. Attorney's office where it is believed Gays have been treated unfairly.

Persons with information are asked to contact GAA by mail at 1638 R St., N.W., 20009, or by phone at 667-5139. —Lou Chibbaro Jr.

## Reagan order not expected to affect Gay federal employees

An official with U.S. Office of Personnel Management this week said President Reagan's recent departmental order calling for the creation of an inter-departmental group to recommend revisions in the government's personnel security program is not expected to change the government's policy with regard to Gay employees.

Joseph Morris, OPM's general counsel, said the President's order, called National Security Directive No. 84, calls for a review of the government's security related programs for employees based on policies initially established under Executive Order 10450, signed by President Eisenhower in 1953.

Morris said "not a word" has been spoken about Gay-related issues in any of the discussions he has heard concerning Reagan's order.

The President, according to Morris, issued his order establishing a review of government security policies because such a review has not occurred "in a generation" and officials believe federal security policies have become outdated.

Morris noted the government's policy regarding Gay employees has not changed under the Reagan administra-

tion and said he is not aware of any proposals to change it.

Current policy, established under new laws creating the OPM during the Carter administration, maintains that Gays may work in most government agencies unless a specific "nexus" can be shown that causes their homosexuality to interfere with their job duties. Restrictions still exist in several agencies, such as the CIA and FBI, where special clearances are required.

Morris said the President's inter-departmental study group is expected to begin deliberations this summer. He said the group will be headed by Attorney General William French Smith.

National Gay Task Force Executive Director Virginia Apuzzo expressed concern over the proposed governmental review at an April 25 press conference in Washington.

Apuzzo said Gay rights representatives will monitor the study and its recommendations carefully to determine whether the administration pushes for any changes that are unfair to Gays.

—Lou Chibbaro Jr.

## Inside the beltway

• The Langston Hughes-Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club, which appears to be coming to life after a several-months-long dormant period, carried the case for increased funding for research into AIDS when the Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC) held a "town meeting" Wednesday.

The Health Council, which is charged with coordinating District health policy, was told by Jerome J. Davis of Hughes-Roosevelt that "AIDS presents a real and growing threat to the health of the citizens of the District of Columbia." The Council's 1983-1984 annual implementation plan, which contains no mention of AIDS, should be amended to reflect the deadly affliction, said Davis.

Davis told the body that the Council should help obtain more research funds so that researchers can more effectively seek out the cause of AIDS and develop treatments for its specific manifestations. He also called on the group to help educate the public and health care providers about AIDS, and said it should support the efforts of the Whitman-Walker Clinic, the Gay health clinic which has formed an AIDS task force.

Also speaking about the need for greater SHCC involvement in the AIDS epidemic was Clint Hockenberry, the executive director of the local chapter of Americans for Democratic Action. Hockenberry, who was one of the founders of Hughes-Roosevelt, told the Council it should improve its collection of data about AIDS and assume an advocacy role in lobbying the federal

government for a stronger response to the problems caused by AIDS.

• For several years, the D.C. Metropolitan Community Church has been laboring in the vineyards of ecumenism, working with different projects of the Downtown Cluster of Congregations, particularly in the effort to feed the homeless who populate downtown Washington. MCC reaped one reward of that labor recently when the Cluster, a sector of the Greater Washington Council of Churches, sent a letter to the National Council of Churches urging the group to act favorably on the United Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches' application for membership in the NCC.

"We... have found our local Metropolitan Community Church to be a part of the presence of Christ in our midst. . . ." wrote the Rev. June Totten, president of the Cluster. "We wish for you the joys and blessings we have found in ministering together with them."

In a related development MCC's pastor, the Rev. Larry Uhrig, said he was informed this week by a Cluster official that the group has also decided to send Roman Catholic Archbishop James Hickey a letter protesting the cancellation of an appearance by the St. Augustine Church gospel choir at MCC. The gospel choir had been scheduled to perform with MCC's own gospel choir at an April 30 concert, but backed out last week, claiming it would be "inappropriate" for a Catholic choir to appear at MCC.

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