1998–99 LGBTA E-Newsletters

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Return-Path: <ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu> Date: Tue, 06 Oct 1998 00:07:09 -0700 From: LGBTA at UCSD <ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu> To: ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu Subject: Hello one and all! X-Status:

On behalf of myself and the other Principle Members of the LGBTA at UCSD, I would like to welcome all of you to the 1998-1999, new and improved LGBTA at UCSD E-mail list. YAY!!! *Insert applause here* Oh, thank you, thank you, you are all too kind. In this e-mail, the following will be covered:

*The upcoming dance
*National Coming Out Day
*FFOG (Fall Festival On the Green)
*A.S. looks for volunteers, including two LGBT issues directors

The upcoming dance

The LGBTA is kicking off the year with it's first dance, "Girls & Boys: Girls Will Be Girls, Boys Will Be Boys". (Note: Look for dances twice a quarter! All dances are non-sexist. You don't have to be LGBT to come to our dances. You just have to enjoy having a great time! Invite your friends! Tell your neighbors! Bring your professors!) It will be on Saturday night, October 10th, from 9 PM - 1 AM in The Stage (Formerly known as The Pub), located in the Old Student Center. There will be free refreshments and dancing all night long! Bring ID if you are over 21 for drinking in the (attached) Porter's Pub. All ages welcome! This dance will be featuring a new DJ, Doctor Tre, so everyone be sure to come on down and check her out. She's hot stuff!

National Coming Out Day

Though the national date for NCOD is Sunday, October 11, we will be celebrating it on Thursday, October 8. We will have music and microphones set up in the Price Center from 12 noon to 1 PM. So come on down and come out! No, you don't have to come out if you come to the festivities. You can sit in front of the speakers and support them when they come out. You can just walk by and watch it from afar. The press will (hopefully) be there, so make sure to look good if you're caught on camera! Wear clean underwear, too. (Or is that in case you're in a car accident???) There will also be a booth set up by members of Qualcomm's Lambda, their LGBT group. Come one, come all!

Fall Festival On the Green (FFOG)

For those of you not familiar with FFOG, here is the basic low-down: every year at this time, all of the student organizations gather to make their on-campus presence known, so that students who might not otherwise know these clubs exist get a chance to see them. The LGBTA will have a booth set up, of course. We will need some help setting it up and taking it down. The hours of FFOG are 11 AM to 4 PM (I believe. If I'm wrong, I'll send out an update.) If you would like to help out at the booth (set it up, tear it down, sit there, chat with old friends, make new friends, hand out flyers on Library Walk for our upcoming dance, etc.), you can contact either myself at this e-mail address, or you can try leaving a message on our answering machine at 534-GAYS. If you're new to the group, FFOG is a great time to meet people in the LGBTA. It's in a social setting, everyone's just kind of hanging out and kicking back between classes and whatnot. If you don't have time to help out at the booth, please make sure to drop by and say a quick "Howdy!" in between classes! It'll rock!

A.S. Looks For Volunteers

Tonight's meeting (October 5) brought Kirk Matsuzaki and his associate (I'm sorry, I forgot her name). They are representatives of the Associated Students External Office. They are looking for volunteers for

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the board in general, and more specifically, they are looking for two (2) LGBT Issues Directors. If this sounds like something that you would like to pursue, please contact Kirk at 534-0474 (office), 970-6010 (pager), or e-mail him at kmatsuza@ucsd.edu. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for Tuesday nights at 7:30, but that may change. This is a wonderful way for you to start on the road to involvement in student government. Rock on!

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Howdy y'all! For some of you lucky people out there, this is the second e-mail newsletter you have received. For others, it is the first. Described briefly, I compose this newsletter to help inform the attendees of the LGBTA at UCSD of upcoming activities. So, when you forget to bring that all-important pen to the meeting, or you can't make it to a meeting, you can always hope that what you missed will be covered in one of these ever so fun newsletters. Newsletters will be sent on no given schedule, but they can be expected about once every couple of weeks. If you would like to be taken off of this list, you can just reply to this message asking me to do so, or, conversely, if you know anyone who would like to be added, please have them drop me a line at this e-mail address. So, with that said, let's start this puppy.

To be covered in this newsletter:

*FREE Movie Night *LGBT Shabbat Dinner *San Diego's Gay Fraternity (wouldn't that be a sorority?) *Matthew Shepard Information

FREE MOVIE NIGHT

For those of you who don't know, the LGBTA at UCSD sponsors free movies twice a quarter. These movies are LGBT-oriented, but their subject matter varies every time. And, our goal for this year is to NOT show "Priscilla: Queen of the Desert" for the third year in a row. That is why I am proud to announce that the first movie of the year will be "All Over Me." It will be showing at 7:00 PM, this Wednesday, October 14. It will be in the Price Center Theater, and, yes, ladies and gentlemen, it is FREE! It's about these two high school girls who are best friends and how they discover sexuality and growing up. Did I mention it was free? Bring all your friends!!!

LGBT Shabbat Dinner

For all of you who were dissappointed by my not saying anything into the microphones in the Price Center on National Coming Out Day, I made up for it by coming out in front of the entire Hillel (Union of Jewish Students) group last Friday night. I did so by announcing that, in cooperation with the LGBTA, Hillel, and the Women's Center, an LGBT Shabbat Dinner is being hosted at the UCSD Women's Center this Friday, October 16. It will be from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. This event is completely FREE, but we do ask that you please bring with you a vegetarian dish to share with the rest of the Jew-folk. And, if possible, please make the dish vegan (i.e. no eggs, dairy products, refined sugar, or honey. If you're unsure of what is vegan, it's safest to stick with plain old fruits and veggies). Please RSVP to Michael Rabkin at 822-1047 or myself at 453-2823.

DELTA LAMBDA PHI

Yes, you read it correctly, it's a gay fraternity. (Editor's Note: I personally think that this should really be called a Sorority, but that's just me. It makes you wonder what they would make as their Sister Organization. Well, at least you know that if they have a frat house it's probably got track-lighting and plenty of items from the IKEA catalog...) The fraternity has been made city wide, opening its doors to "any one currently attending any San Diego college." Here are the Rush Events:

October 20 - Info. Night @ Detreks, 7 PM (Located in the Ralph's Plaza in Hillcrest)

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October 21 - Info. Night @ Calire De Lune @ 7 PM (Located in North Park, between Kansas and University) October 22 - Info./Movie-Games Night @ Tony's @ 7 PM (4050 3rd Avenue, look for Anderson/Chen at Gate) October 23 - Invite Only

For more info. you can call their Voice Mail @ 515-1781 or visit their national web page @ http://www.dlp.org.

>From what I know, if you want to go to the party (that's what I assume it is) on October 23rd, you have to show up to the info. nights beforehand so that you can be invited...so, if you wanna party, you gotta info. night. Got it, punk?!

Matthew Shepard

For those of you who have not heard yet, I will try to give you a very brief overview of the events which have taken place surrounding the death of Matthew Shepard. Matthew Shepard was a 22 year old gay (and out) student at the University of Wyoming. Last week, UW celebrated their National Coming Out Day. Wednesday night, Matthew was accosted by two males who tied him in a crucifixion pose to a fence and cut his body, burned his body, and pistol-whipped his head until it cracked open. They left him for dead. He was found 18 hours later by some bikers who thought he was a scarecrow. He was brought to the hospital, but he never recovered. Early Monday morning (1:00 AM or so), he was pronounced dead as a result of his beating. Two men are being held as the accused assailants of this crime, and their two girlfriends are also being held as accessories to the crime. There has been a massive outcry over this atrocity. Action is being taken as you read this e-mail. Below is a list of all the information that I have received about what possible action can be taken. I encourage you all to take what action you can. These "snippets" are taken from different sources and different e-mails. I thank everyone who has helped contribute to help make these sources of information known.

" Wyoming is one of only five states that has not passed a hate crimes

law. I have started an Internet petition that I would like you to sign to urge the state of Wyoming to take action in this regard. The petition is

outlined below.

If you would like to sign it, just copy the following address and go

directly to the petition via the Internet. If you have friends that you think might like to sign it, the petition service, E- the People, allows

you to send copies of the petition to 10 people that you know.

http://www.uglw.org/MSPetition.html "

"Here is an email address for anyone wishing to send Matthew and his family a message:

mshepard@libra.PVH.org

Donations for the fund set up in his name can be sent to:

Matthew Shepard Fund (#1926083) c/o 1st National Bank Box 578 Fort Collins, CO 80522 "

"Here is a website with a lot of information:

http://www.wiredstrategies.com/shepard.html "

" HOW TO HELP Contact Congress for Matthew * The US Congress is refusing to pass legislation that would permit the FBI to investigate attacks against gays and lesbians such as the brutal murder of Matthew Shepard. The Hate Crimes Prevention Act (HCPA), H.R.3081 and S.1529, would amend current federal law to include real or perceived sexual orientation, gender, and disability so the FBI would be able to investigate and prosecute violent hate crimes against gays, lesbians, and bisexuals. Current law already allows investigation and prosecution on the basis of race, religion, national origin and color, but doesn't include sexual orientation. Please email your US Senators and House Members and tell them to pass the federal Hate Crimes Prevention Act (H.R.3081 and S.1529) immediately and don't forget to sign the email with your name and address. (The Web links above will assist you in identifying and emailing your Member of Congress). Also, call the Congressional switchboard at 202/224-3121 and ask for your Member's office, then tell them to pass the Act as well. Congress will likely close up for the year in the next few days - don't let. them leave Washington without passing this bill in Matthew's name. Draft email: Dear XXXXX: I am writing to urge you to pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act (H.R.3081 and S.1529). As you know, Matthew Shepard was brutally tied up, tortured, pistol-whipped and then left to die in Wyoming because he was gay. Wyoming does not have a hate crimes law - and only 21 states and the District of Columbia include sexual orientation-based crimes in their hate crimes statutes. The FBI may not have jurisdiction to investigate the Shepard case without passage of the Hate Crimes Act. You can change that sad fact. With hate crimes against gay men and lesbians on the rise last year, while crime overall decreased, it is imperative that Congress stand up to hate and violence and pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act now. Thank you, NAME AND ADDRESS " "From: Liberty Smith <liberty-smith@ucsd.edu> Subject: Hate Crimes Actions Activists: We have a plan for this week's response to the gay bashing and murder of Matthew Shepard, the 22 year old University of Wyoming student. Beginning this Tuesday, 10/13, and continuing throughout the week, we will all be wearing arm-bands to show our solidarity. Please pick one up at the Women's Center, the LGBTA office, or at the Cross Cultural

Center and grab extras and hate crimes info sheets to pass around. Also beginning Tuesday, we will be signing our names with magic marker and embroidery on a giant petition against hate. Come sign or help staff the petition on the Price Center lawn near the fountain Tuesday

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Wednesday 1-5, Thursday 12-5. On Thursday, there will also be a Hate Crimes Information Booth at the same time.

Wednesday evening at 7 pm in Hillcrest at the Lesbian and Gay Men's Community Center (3916 Normal Street) will be a candlelight vigil in honor of Matthew Shepard and all of the other precious lives we've lost to hate. Bring your own candles. Please contact The Center directly at

692-2077 for more information about the vigil.

Thursday beginning at 6 pm we will have a sign-making party upstairs in the Cross Cultural Center (right after the film there, Double the Trouble and Twice the Fun).

Friday at noon we will gather on Library Walk for a hate crimes rally. We really need your voices, thoughts, and feelings at this event. Also,

if you can, come early to help us set up.

Please call Liberty at (619) 294-8758 or email liberty-smith@ucsd.edu if

you can help out with any of these events or if you'd like more information.

Thanks for your help and for your support on this important issue."

"Stop by the Hate Crimes Awareness Booth at lunch Thursday and Friday on Library Walk to pick up more information, sign a card for Matthew's family, and leave a donation."

Well, that pretty much does it for this edition of the e-mail newsletter. If there are any typoes I profusely apologize, but the need for this to go out ASAP supercedes my desire for perfect grammar. Any additional questions you may have regarding any of the above information may be addressed back to this account at: ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu.

We know you have many choices when it comes to flying, and we thank you for choosing our flight services.

Everyone's Favorite Stewardess, Daniel "bletch" Schweitzer ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu

Return-Path: <ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu> Date: Sat, 21 Nov 1998 18:16:52 -0800 From: LGBTA at UCSD <ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu> To: ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu Subject: Back by popular demand, the E-NEWSLETTER!

Welcome to the third, and final, newsletter for Fall Quarter 1998. My name is Daniel Schweitzer, and I'll be your stewardess today for the flight through upcoming events and information. Almost all of the following information also been cut-and-pasted from various sources, so if there are problems with them, feel free to ask, but I may not be able to help. I apologize that this newsletter has taken so long to be written, but things have been super hectic for me recently. In fact, I had a beaufitul newsletter written up last week, but Netscape was nice enough to crash before I could send it...oh well, as they say in French, "Say la-vee!" The following is covered in this order in the newsletter:

World AIDS Day, December 1, 1998 Info.

World AIDS Day is coming Tuesday, December 1, 1998. World AIDS Day is an observance remembering those who are living or have died with AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). Each year, many groups hold vigils or activities on this day. This year the Cross Cultural Center plans to have an art exhibit, and to have speakers come and discuss the issues of AIDS. Art is a great way to see and feel how AIDS/HIV has affected many people. Artists such as Keith Haring have done a great service by bringing AIDS awareness to the public through sculpture and painting. We hope to have the art exhibit on display in the CCC from November 23, 1998 through December 11, 1998. Please take this time to remember those who have been affected by the HIV virus. If you know someone would like to speak at the event, or of AIDS inspired art work of any media that could be loaned to the CCC Gallery, please feel free to contact me at the Cross Cultural Center by phone at 619.822.0146 or 619.534.9689, or by e-mail at cccenter@ucsd.edu A request is going out for art contributions to be used during the World AIDS Day events going on at the Cross Cultural Center the week of Nov. 30 to Dec. 4. Art should address AIDS education and awareness, reflect on the memories of loved ones lost to, or battling, the disease, or be the creations of victims of HIV/AIDS. The art is request to be delivered to

the Cross Cultural Center by Nov. 25 and points of contact are Edwina

Welch (Director) or Natalie Davis (Intern) at X49689. The art display will be in place during the week of 11/30-12/4. Thank you. P.S. Watch for details concerning 2 wonderful programming events at the Cross Cultural Center on Nov. 30. There will be a lunchtime session by Dr. Sylvia Rhue (you might remember her from the 1997 panel on "Homosexuality and Religion") and an afternoon panel featuring Dr. Rhue and a culturally diverse speaker panel from APICAP (Asian and Pacific Islander Community AIDS Program) . MARK YOUR CALENDARS Several members of the UCSD campus community are sponsoring a series of activities in observance of the continuing struggle and hope of all in our communites who are impacted by HIV/AIDS. December 1 is World AIDS Day, а Day to celebrate the lives of those living and to remember those who have died from AIDS. Below is a list of activities that will take place November 30 and December 1. Please support these efforts. For more information or to request an accomadation please call 534-9689. Novemeber 30th Art and Education Display will be presented through All Day December 11, 1998 Location: Cross-Cultural Center 12-1:30 PM Lecture and Film Presentation by Dr. Sylvia Rhue. Dr. Rhue will be speaking on the social, cultural and religious aspects of HIV/AIDS as it impacts America today. During her talk "AIDS, Racism and will also be showing her 26 Homophobia," she minute documentary short "All God's Children." Location: Cross-Cultural Center 3-4:30 PM Panel Presentation featuring Dr. Rhue and diverse speakers bureau from the Asian and Pacific Islanders Community AIDS Program (APICAP) Location: Cross-Cultural Center Sponsored by: American Indian Faculty and Staff Association, Black Staff Association, Chicano/Latino Staff Association, Community Advocates for Disability Rights and Education (CADRE), Pan Asian Staff Association, Umbrella Group Staff Association, Office of Equal Opporunity and Staff Affirmative Action, Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Issues, Cross-Cultural Center, and the Women's Center December 1- World AIDS Day 11AM- 3PM Showing of 10 panels of the AIDS Quilt (Revelle College Resident Assistants) Location: Library Walk Student Health Peer Advisors will sponsor a "Reading of 12-2 PM

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the Names" and

> Information tables Location: Price Center Plaza (FMI 822-0085)

"Queer Literature Class"

Dear UCSD LGBTA members,

My name is Anthony Navarrete, and I will be teaching a course on Queer People of Color for the literature department in the Winter (Eng 178).

was hoping you could pass this information along to interested students.

The class will run in the afternoons on tuesdays and thursdays I

believe. If anyone has any questions they should feel free to contact me. The class

in open to all interested students. Enclosed is the course description.

Thanks for your time.

Anthony Navarrete. anavarre@popmail.ucsd.edu

English 178

Comaparative Ethnic Literature

We often hear lesbain/gay/bi/queer people of color referring to the "double-bind" they feel themselves placed in, in American society. They

often feel rejected by the dominant straight-white power structure, but they also feel or fear rejection from their own ethnic communities. The literature produced by queer people of color often reflects this complex

and sometimes painful positioning. In this course we will examine the literary work produced by queer people of color in an attempt to better understand how these authors construct their various communities, and where

(and when and how) they place themselves in them. We will be examining

wide variety of these texts emerging from the Chicana/o, Latina/o, Asian

American, African American, Pilipina/o, American Indian, and other communities. We will examine the history of queer literature in these communties and determine how patriarchy and male privaledge operate in various locations and guises in society. In addition, we will examine what

the response has been from the gay and lesbian studies movement as well as

queer theory towards these authors of color. Students will be evaluated by

their class participation, a take home mid-term exam, and a final paper.

Students are encouraged to bring their own concerns and research interests

to the course.

Old Globe LGBT Production

From: Playwrights Project Dear Jan,

I'm looking for folks who can help me get the word out about a fantastic

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new play by 17-year-old San Diego playwright, Claire Cox. The play, Arthur &

LGBTA at UCSD, 18:16 11/21/1998 , Back by popular demand, the E-Nadine, focuses on the friendship between two gay teens and their struggle to understand personal sexuality as adolescents. It will be staged at the 01d Globe Theatre on November 14, 15 & 22. I'm trying to reach gay, lesbian and bisexual teens and their families/friends whom I know will relate to and appreciate the sexual identity issues with which the characters struggle. Arthur & Nadine, based on some of the writer's own experiences, is a powerful and touching story for all voung adults. Arthur & Nadine is being produced by Playwrights Project, a San Diego-based arts education organization. The script won our 1998 California Young Playwrights Contest, with the prize being a professional production at the Old Globe Theatre. The playwright, Claire Cox, recently graduated from La Costa Canyon High, and received scholarship support to pursue creative writing at Hampshire College in Massachusetts. A promising young writer. Ms. Cox's first play...don't forget to water the tulips, was produced by Playwrights Project in 1997 and received critical acclaim. I'm happy to send more information if needed. A story in the Gay & Lesbian Times will appear on Thursday, November 5. Any suggestions for others that can help us get the word out, or places I might send information? Т would appreciate any ideas! Please call me at Playwrights Project if vou have questions or ideas, or would like more information (619)239.8222. Many thanks! Lisa Mack, Managing Director, Playwrights Project PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE & TICKET INFORMATION: Saturday, Nov. 14 @ 7:30 PM, followed by a discussion with the playwrights Sunday, Nov. 15 @ 7:00 PM Sunday, Nov. 22 @ 2:30 PM \$7.50 for \$9.00 for students and senior citizens Prices: \$11.00 groups of 10 or more CALL THE OLD GLOBE BOX OFFICE FOR TICKETS: (619)239.2255 Advance purchase suggested, seats are limited. ______ Divine Design A SPECIAL INVITATION TO ALL AT THE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER ORGANIZATION We are in the process of recruiting volunteers for Divine Design '98, December 4 - 11 at the Pacific Design Center in West Hollywood. This is the largest and best-known fashion and interior design even on the West Coast and benefits Project Angel Food and DIFFA/LA. Volunteer opportunities range from working as cashiers, floor attendants, security, and floaters. As an eight-day event, we'll need more than 1,000 volunteers to help make this event a

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success.

This is an excellent opportunity to participate in an extraordinary and major fundraising event and have fun doing it! Shifts are available to fit most schedules and no offer of help will be turned away. Volunteers will get free admission to the event, be eligible for gifts and prizes, and receive a free event t-shirt. For more information and to learn how you can participate in this year's event, please call Norbert A. Martinez at (310) 289-2797, send email to ddvolunteer@earthlink.net, or visit our website at http://home.earthlink.net/~ddvolunteer/ - thank you! PS Please pass along this information to everyone you know! With your help, we can make this event a success. ______ Latino/a LGBT Conference Pa' Fuera Pa' Lante Northeast Conference '99 The 2nd Regional Organizing Conference Devoted to the Concerns of the Latina/o Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgender Community January 15-17, 1999 @ Hostos Community College Bronx, NY Come join us for this historical weekend event including: Workshops, Cultural Performance, Town Meeting & Plenary Session, Sunday Tea Dance, Art Exhibition, Good Food & Entertainment Workshops will cover the following topics: Latina Lesbian Health, Religion/ Spirituality, HIV/AIDS, Transgender Concerns, Media, Immigration, Coalition Building with Mainstream LGBT Organizations, Domestic Violence, HIV & Substance Abuse in Prisons, Racism & Classism, History of LGBT Latino Movement in the Northeast Youth Concerns, Elderly Concerns, Bisexuality, LGBT Parenting, Coming Out

The Pa'Fuera Pa'Lante Conference will bring together Lesbian, Gay Bisexual, Transgender Latina/os from all over the Northeastern United States and Puerto Rico. If you would like to join us be sure to:

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1. Complete registration form & Mail to:

Pa'Fuera Pa'Lante Northeast Conference'99 c/o The Center 208 West 13th Street

New York, NY 10011

2. To obtain registration forms or for more information visit our website at:

Website: http://members.aol.com/pafuerapal

OR contact us by:

E-mail: pafuerpal@aol.com, Telephone: (718) 596-0342, ext. 42, Fax: (718) 596-1328

Please contact us for more information on travel and hotel arrangements,

community housing requests, or how to get involved with the conference in your area.

Roommate Wanted

MISSION BEACH HOME TO SHARE 2 Bedroom, 2 1/2 Bath Bay side home. Recently updated and fully furnished. Indoor jacuzzi, wet bar, multi-levels, washer & dryer, patio & garage. Bay side beach view and Ocean side beach across street. Beautiful neighborhood & jogging is a breeze.

Looking for a professional, mature, easy going gay male.

Asking \$775 per mo, utilities included. Tom at 488-5962. Got to see it - It's like being on vacation every day!!!

"It's Elementary" Screening

IT'S ELEMENTARY to screen at Human Right's Day at Whole Foods Market

Whole Foods Market, in collaboration with The San Diego Foundation for Change, presents Human Rights Days on December 9th at the La Jolla store

and December 11th at the Hillcrest store. Five percent of all sales on those days will be donated to the San Diego Foundation for Change to fund social justice projects in 1999. Both stores will feature entertainment, wine and gourmet food samples. The Hillcrest store will also host a series of lectures from local activist organizations. At 6:00PM, GLSEN will screen IT'S ELEMENTARY: TALKING ABOUT GAY ISSUES IN SCHOOLS, the ground-breaking documentary that makes a powerful case that

children need to be taught respect for all. GLSEN's Jan Garbosky will lead a discussion following the screening. Other SDFFC grantees will make presentations throughout the day. A hosted reception in Mrs. Gooche's Café will follow the IT'S ELEMENTARY screening. Bring friends, colleagues, and supporters to Human Rights Day to enjoy culinary delights, lively activist discourse, and great entertainment. Remember 55 of ALL SALES on Human Rights Day will benefit San Diego Foundation For Change, so fill up your basket with healthy gourmet food and holiday gifts! Shop till you drop to support social change in San Diego. For more information about program and entertainment times, call (619) 235-4647.

Anti-Hate Crimes March on Washington, 1999 (Using my vested powers as the writer of this newsletter, I chopped off most of this original e-mail to save time and space, and cut it down to this. My apologies if anyone is upset. Following are the ways of finding out info. on this event.)

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In addition to the principal march web site at

www.geocities.com/2047/march.html, web sites supporting and promoting the January 6, 1999 March On Congress as of October 25 include those operated by HERO Magazine, The InTowner newspaper, a mainstream community news publication in Washington, DC, The Park, a large bulletin board and chat server, CyberQueer, a gay and lesbian news, information and chat server,

Youth Resources, a Washington, D.C. based youth services organization; Whitman-Walker Clinic, a nationally known health and AIDS services organization; Resoftlinks, an international news and information server;

WWW.Mattshepard.Org, a Denver-based anti-violence organization, and the Sunday Night Supper Club of Lexington, KY.

Privately operated web site participating include www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/4073, www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Stonewall/2138 and www.geocities.com/Area51/Station/1192/shepard.htm

Letters of Support Needed for an LGBT Resource Center on Campus

Dear alumni or current students:

Personal letters are still needed by YOU to be sent to Chancellor Robert Dynes asap in support of establishing a separate LGBT resource

center on the UCSD campus. Your stories as to how your productivity,

safety, or mental well being might have been improved with the presence

of a safe, informative place are especially valuable. Also if you know

of any faculty members who would be willing to write a letter in support please, please, please encourage them to do so. Please send

copy of your letter to Sarah Archibald at mail code 0949. Chancellor

Dynes mail code is 0005. Thank you for potentially saving some future

lives.

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Paul Harris

Winter Gay-la

Principle Member Kevin Emard is interested in planning and executing some sort of Winter Semi-Formal during the Winter Quarter of 1999. He is looking for people interested in helping him make committees and general all-around help in the planning of this event. For those interested, please contact Kevin through e-mail at kemard@ucsd.edu.

Rainbow Cyclists

For those of you out there who are into fitness and being in the great outdoors, there is a group in San Diego called the Rainbow Cyclists, and they have lots of great activities planned in the upcoming weeks and months. They take trips ranging from 25 miles to upwards of 40 miles. For those of you interested, you can contact the Rainbow Cyclists at P.O. Box 3344, San Diego, CA 92163; 619-294-INFO (menu 2, cat 765); www.lanz.com/rainbowcyclist

Support Groups

The Psychological & Counseling Services at UCSD are offering support groups, as they do every year. The two LGBT-focused groups are the Men's Group which meets every Thursday night, from 7-8:30, in the Undergraduate Conference Room in the International Center. The Women's

Group meets at the same exact time in the Women's Center. For more information, you can call 534-GAYS, and if no one is there, leave a message and someone will get back to you.

wiping tears *sniff* Well, that brings us to the end of this newsletter. I'm always sad when one of these comes to an end. They're just so much darned fun to write. Granted, this edition wasn't as funny as usual, but I am kind of strapped for time. But, "The show must go on!" So, in closing, I wish you all a good holiday season and a happy new year! Everyone eat lots of pumpkin pie at Thanksgiving for me, and save me a seat, 'cuz "I'll be home for Christmas." Sorry, I couldn't resist a Jonathan Taylor-Thomas reference (that is the kid's name, right?)

Kisses and queeny hugs, Daniel "bletch" Schweitzer

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So! It's 1999 and what's to say? Since this isn't really a humor column, and it's not Dear Abby, I guess I have to skip all of the cool and fun things I want to write (which number to about three) and get right down to business. The Winter Quarter of the 1999 school year has begun and with it has arrived lots of cool, fun-filled events from those wacky people at the LGBTA at UCSD! *Insert manic applause here* Following is a list of events and information that has been received by yours truly. If there are any questions about any of it, you can send them to me via this e-mail address (ucsdlgba@sdccl3.ucsd.edu). So, with that said, here goes:

Tonight's list o' stuff:

*Party at Joanna "Gi"'s house! *First dance of 1999! *Drag Show *A Public Service Message From Your Web Mistress *UCLGBTA Conference *HBO Special About Homothexualz At Work *Youth Speaks to GLSEN *Meetings *Conference of LGBT Jews

PARTY AT JOANNA "GI"'S HOUSE!

Our sexy, hot, delicious, yummy friend, Joanna Stevenson, has graciously offered her apartment as a location for the first LGBTA social of the quarter! Yay! Quoth Joanna in her most recent interview, "Bring your own alcohol. I mean, like, I've got rum and coke, but like, not enough for a million people. Are you typing this? Don't quote me! Umm, we can watch some movies and make it a social event. It'll be a total kick-back thing, and it's just to have fun. If I say it's at 9, people will come around 11, so I'm saying it starts at 9. I'll get chips or something. Directions to my place are as follows: [From UCSD] 5 South, exit Washington. Left at the stoplight onto Washington. Left onto Third. And then like parking anywhere. It's the Uptown Villas, 4050 3rd Avenue. Everyone knows someone who lives there. And then, the most important thing, is that like my code is '038' to call me so I can let people into the complex. And it's apartment 218. And like, the hint is that it's right behind Hollywood Video."

THE UNNAMED (THUS FAR) DANCE!

As usual, it's the beginning of a new quarter, and what better way to celebrate than to have, hmm, I don't know, maybe a FREE DANCE?! That sounds great! The date is January 22, the place is The Stage/Pub in the Old Student Center. The time is 9 PM - 1 AM. For directions to campus you can call 534-GAYS. Also, if you have a suggestion for a name for the dance, please either bring it to next Monday's meeting (Junary 11), or e-mail it back to us! Additionally, we are in need of volunteers. If anyone out there would like to either help set-up, tear-down, greet at the door, or just help in general, please let us know! Volunteers are always wanted and needed and greatly appreciated.

DIVAS IN DENIAL IV

No, these Divas are not in denial of their need for an IV. It's the fourth annual "Divas in Denial" drag show. The date is Wednesday, February 24 (I am 99% positive about this. If I'm wrong I'm sure someone will point it out and I'll tell all of you nice people), sometime around 8 PM or so, in the Price Center Theater. And guess what??? It's FREE! Not just that, dancer, coordinator, and all around nice guy, Michael Sewell is going to be the show's director/choreographor. We need people

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to perform! You do not have to be a professional to be in this drag show. We know there's talent out there and we want it all! Michael has requested that if you have an interest in being in the drag show or helping to coordinate it, that you let him know by January 18. You can express interest by replying to this e-mail address, and the mail will then be forwarded to Michael. Please help us to make this the best drag show UCSD has ever seen!

ANNETTE SPEAKS

Because of unforseen circumstances, Annette Holland, our friendly web-mistress, must put off updating the web page for a short while (http://sdcc13.ucsd.edu/~ucsdlgba). However, she has asked me to let you all know that if you would like to have some sort of "blurb" about yourself on the web page, or your picture, or e-mail address, or link to personal web page, or whatever, that you should feel free to direct it to her. You can reach her at aholland@ucsd.edu.

UCLGBTA CONFERENCE

You can register for the 10th Annual UCLGBTA Conference and General Assembly on the WWW at:

http://www.ben2.ucla.edu/~sqib/

Conference Registration prior to January 1, 1999 (with payment to UC Regents) is:

\$40 for UC Faculty and Staff \$10 for UC Students

Beginning January 1, 1999 the prices will go up to: \$50 for UC Faculty and Staff \$15 for UC Students

The Conference will take place at UCLA February 5-7, 1999

GAYS & LESBIANS: THEY'RE WORKING IN YOUR OFFICE!

Wednesday on HBO at 10:30 p.m., "Out at Work" examines the treatment a gay or lesbian worker receives depending on what state he or she works in and who he or she works with. Repeats: Jan. 11, 14, 20 and 25. Can someone please tape this so maybe we can watch it at a meeting???

YOUTH SPEAKS TO GLSEN

Happy New Year All,

Just a reminder that we will meet next Monday, January 11th, at 7 pm, at

The Living Room Coffee House, 1417 University Avenue, in Hillcrest, to continue organizing the Youth Speaks to GLSEN forum.

Since we last met, Scott Kovacik, of the GLSEN Board, and Max Krasnow, San Diego High School Gay Student Alliance leader, have secured the Auditorium at San Diego High School for the forum, which will be held Tuesday, February 23rd, at 7 pm as planned. San Diego High is at 1405 Park Blvd, just south of I-5 in Downtown.

What I would like you to do between now and our meeting next week is to make a list of all groups you are involved with or know about that have meetings, newsletters, and/or publications that come out between now and

the event, so we can get on track in promoting it. Also please come with concrete ideas on who we should solicit for funds and/or in-kind donations such as food. Last but not least, program ideas are welcome as well. We will form committees at the meeting next Monday to make

sure these things get done.

By the end of the meeting next Monday, I hope we have a budget to be presented to the GLSEN Board meeting two days later on Wednesday. I am hoping they will be able to substantially support this.

Feel free to call or write me and/or each other during the week before the meeting with any information or feedback you want to share. I am particularly interested in hearing from the Little Tree folk as to what they feel worked and didn't work in their December event.

Best wishes,

Brian Polejes 281-2542 bpolejes@jps.net

MEETINGS

Just a remind that meetings are every Monday (except holidays) from 7 PM - 8 PM in the Grad. Student Association, located in the Old Student Center, next to Soft Reserves/A.S. Lecture Notes. All are welcome and encouraged to join us at the meetings. The more the merrier!

ALL THE GAY JEWS IN THE HOUSE SHOUT "OY VEY, BABY!"

PRESENTING NATIONAL JEWISH LGBT STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

DATE: February 19-21, 1999 PLACE: Smith College, Northampton Massachusetts

Conference features:

Invited keynote speaker Leslie Feinberg, author of "Stone Butch Blues" and transgender activist

--Discussions of Jewish peoplehood, tradition and inter-personal relationships --Workshops on LGBT and Jewish activism --Text Study Workshops --Sessions on gay issues in Israel

--Workshops on planning activist campaigns --And it doesn't stop here

--Leadership training seminars --Coming Out As Jewish and Gay --Sessions on campus group organizing --A flick on Jewish dykes in New York --And more, more, more!!!!!

The national conference -- a time to become pro-active, hang out with super cool, amazing people, connect with other Jewish students nationwide, learn a little something new, and HAVE FUN! What better way to spend a weekend?

Almost too good to be true!

Don't let this opportunity pass you by! It's so easy -- just fill out the application below (pass it on to friends!) and then return it to the address at the end of the form. It's THAT Simple! But hurry -space is limited!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 30, 1999

Questions? Contact conference co-chairs at Smith, Arielle Derby and Jenny Aisenberg, at (413)585-6149 or (413)585-6154, or e-mail Jenny at

<jaisenbe@mail.smith.edu>. You may also contact Bernard Cherkasov, Executive Director of the National Union of Jewish LGBT Students (NUJLS) at (202)857-6543 or <bcherkasov@hillel.org>.

Make history. Be an active part of the present...have FUN! Come to the third annual national conference. The Registration Fee of \$50 covers the entire conference, workshops, meals from check-in through the closing brunch, and of course, the speakers, films, etc.

APPLICATION for the national conference DEADLINE: JANUARY 30, 1999

Name:

School:

Address at school:

Phone number at school:

e-mail:

Year of graduation:

Age:

Gender:

Are you a vegetarian? (Please specify whether you eat eggs and/or dairy)

Any allergies?

With what (if any) campus groups are you involved? (Jewish or non-Jewish)

Please finish this sentence.... "I am a Jew who..."

Would you be interested in facilitating a discussion or breakout session during the weekend? (Don't worry -- we'll tell you more)

Is there any topic on which you would be interested in leading a workshop?

What kind of workshops would you like to see at the conference?

In what issues (Jewish or not Jewish) are you most interested?

What (if any) type of prayer service would you be most likely to attend?

(Please put an x next to your choice) Conservative Orthodox Reconstructionist Reform Renewalist Women's Alternative discussion session None

Will you need housing in Northampton? If so, then tell us if you'd need a bed or a floor space, if you are allergic to pets, and other details that will help us in accommodating your request. Also, if you would only feel comfortable being housed with a male roommate, we need to know that (as Smith is a women's college, most people requesting housing will be with female hosts).

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Are you applying for a travel subsidy?

If yes:

How much will your ticket cost? How much can you afford to pay? What other funding sources have you approached? (We suggest your local Hillel, home synagogue, local Jewish Federation, campus groups and governments)

Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about yourself?

Don't forget to print this out and send together with the registration fee of \$50 to: Arielle Derby Box 6844 Smith College Northampton, MA 01063

If you submit this form by email <jaisenbe@mail.smith.edu>, make sure your registration fee arrives shortly thereafter as well.

And with that, the end of the e-mail has arrived. If you made it this far, I congratulate you and am personally flattered. If you would like to be removed from this list, please write a simple note back requesting such.

Faithfully yours, Daniel Schweitzer

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Okay, so that's not really a title that conveys what this message is about, but I have no other idea for what to write as the title. For those of you who don't know me, you're probably thinking, "Where did he come up with that?!" For those of you who do know me, however, you know that with my thinking, rarely is there a reason to my rhyme (or lack thereof). But, just in case some people want to be clued in, I have a picture sitting in front of my monitor from SD Pride '98. The picture is of me holding a sign which reads "UCSD HOMO" and I'm standing with Joe Levy, whose sign has the title written on it. And, yes, I made both signs. Don't ask why, inspiration comes from all over. But, hey, who doesn't love Oprah, right ?! So, now that I've gotten that little anecdote out of the way and most of you are thinking, "Who is this freak and why am I getting this e-mail?" I'll tell you. I am Daniel Schweitzer, a Principle Member of the LGBTA at UCSD. As you can tell, I also write these incoherent newsletters every few weeks to help keep everyone abreast of what's going down (oh, the possibilities...). If you would like to be taken off of this list, just reply to this e-mail at ucsdlgba@sdcc13.ucsd.edu and you will be taken off the "Good People" list and put on the "Bad People". It's like having your name written on the blackboard in school. Oh, and as a side note, if anyone is offended by the contents of this e-mail, I apologize.

This Time Around: *"Gay Jews, Gay Jews, your Shabbat dinner table it ready." *Movie night substitution: "Edge of 17" THIS MOVIE ROCKS! *Delta Lambda Phi searches for some gay frat bros. *Blue Moon Bonfire *Gay & Lesbian movies at the Ken *Organic Foods are your friends *"Divas In Denial IV" *Gay high school youth? I'm starting to feel old. *Gay events at your local Catholic university *Got a name for our next dance?! *Missing camera...we need your help! *Contest! Contest!

Gay? Jewish? Gay and Jewish? Straight and Christian? Read on!

Because of the huge success of last quarter's LGBT Shabbat dinner, it has been decided that we will try to make this a quarterly event. This quarter's LGBT Shabbat dinner will be this Friday, January 29 from 8-10 PM in the Women's Center. If you need directions, you can call 534-EDNA and ask them how to get there. This event is FREE, but since it is a potluck, we ask that you bring a vegetarian/vegan dish to share with everyone. To RSVP, please contact Michael Rabkin at mrabkin@ucsd.edu or 534-2521. I hope to see everyone there!

And as a note of clarification - you need not be Jewish (or gay, for that matter) to attend this activity. Everyone, and I mean everyone, is invited. Rabbi Lisa Goldstein will be in attendance, and if you come for no other reason, I suggest you come to meet Rabbi Lisa. She rocks.

No movie night? You guys are lame!

To make up for the lack of a movie night this quarter, we have decided to show a movie at a meeting. The movie we will be showing is "Edge of 17" (Thank you, Armando!). This movie is about a 16 year-old boy's discovery of his sexuality, and the things it brings, i.e. first crush,

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first gay bar, coming out, etc. In my humble opinion, this is easily one of the best gay movies ever made. It tackles some very heavy issues, but still manages to keep you laughing through the whole thing. And to boot, it takes place in 1984, so you KNOW the music is the best part about it! At the next meeting, on February 1, we will condense the talking part of the meeting to about 15-30 minutes, and then we will watch the first half of the movie. The second half of the movie will be shown at the next meeting on February 8. I encourage everyone to come watch this movie. Bring a friend! It's FREE!!!

A Gay Fraternity? Does that qualify as a Sorority?

OK, I know I made the same joke last time, but I still like it. So there! Delta Lambda Phi, previously exclusive to SDSU, has recently decided to open its membership to all students in San Diego colleges. This gay fraternity is having its Spring Rush next week, February 1-5. Following are the informational events:

Monday, Feb. 1 - 8 PM, Dietrichs Coffee House (next to Ralphs, Hillcrest) Tuesday, Feb. 2 - 7 PM, Claire de Lune (University & Kansas, North Park)

Wednesday, Feb. 3 - 8 PM Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Social (on University) Thursday, Feb. 4 - 7 PM Dinner and Game Night (Location TBA) Friday, Feb. 5 - 7 PM Invitational Party (Location TBA)

For more information -- 515-1781

I'm kind of curious as to what the hazing rituals are for this fraternity.... :)

Blue Moon Bonfire

You are invited to a BONFIRE! The end of the month is a blue moon (second full moon of the month) and we're celebrating- it's as good an excuse as any for a friendly get together. The bonfire will be happening on Vacation Island which is right smack in the middle of Mission Bay and where there are picnic tables, restrooms, parking and plenty of fire rings.

Please join the Medical Center gang next Saturday, Jan. 30 from 5:00 PM until ? for a really hot time. We'll supply the wood, all you have to do is bring whatever you would like to munch on, roast over the fire, and drink. Beach chairs?!

Directions: If you can make it to Ingraham Street (from either Sea World Drive or Grand Avenue) you're practically there. Vacation Island is most famous for the San Diego Princess Resort. It is second most famous for the model yacht basin (lagoon) which is where we are going to be. Turn west from Ingraham onto Vacation Rd. and then an immediate left. Take the first right and head to the far side of the parking lot. [The fire rings are south of the Princess Resort and on the south side of the island.]

It's a free country so invite along anyone you wish. For those that missed the last bonfire, here's another chance. Hope to see you all there. Contact Rich (X37577) for more details.

Here is the URL for a Yahoo map to the event site: http://maps.yahoo.com/py/maps.py?Pyt=Tmap&addr=1404+W+Vacation&csz=92109&Get

+Map=Get+Map

Gay & Lesbian Movies at the Ken Wednesday & Thursday, February 3 & 4

"High Art" - Ally Sheedy and Radha Mitchell star as two radically different women whose paths cross as a result of a chance meeting. They form a tentative friendship that later evolves into a passionate affair. Plays at 7:00

"Heavenly Creatures" - The extraordinary true story of two teenage girtls whose intense friendship centered around tales of fantasy, mayhem, and crime. This literary bent turned morbid and obsessive, however, when the girls expanded their murderous imaginations to include real life. Plays at 5:00 and 9:00 [If you're reading this, please e-mail back and say "Snoochie Bootchies, Brodie man!" I'll love you forever!] Because these two features are playing together (See also: Double Feature), if you pay for one, you get to see both. You can't beat that! well, actually, you can, so read on. Friday February 12 - Thursday February 18

"All The Rage" - At 31, Christpoher (John-Michael Lander) considers himself a gay playboy, but doesn't realize what a mess he's become. Obsessed with physical, sexual and romantic perfection, he unexpectedly finds himself being drawn to Stewart (David Vincent), an adorably normal guy who spends as little time at the gym as he does choosing his wardrobe. A provocative mixture of bitchy social comedy and dark, disturbing satire. Plays at 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat & Sun Matinees: 2:45

For those of you who don't know, I work with Promotions for KSDT, the student run radio station on campus. One of the groups I deal with is the Ken theater. I have the power (of Grayskull!) to give away one free pair of tickets to each day's movie. If people are interested in these tickets, you can sign up for them directly in the KSDT Radio station (just ask for the Give-Away binder). It's super esay! The give-away sheet for "All The Rage" will be in place in about a week.

Organic Food Festival

There will be an organic foods Farmers Market festival on Library Walk on February 4 from 11 AM - 2 PM. Umm, that's pretty much it.

"Divas In Denial IV" - The Annual Drag Show

Well, by now it's too late to express interest in being in the actual drag show. However, we are looking for volunteers to help us with various things, such as helping people get seated, etc. If you are interested in helping out, please reply to this e-mail. Hey, if nothing else, it looks great on a resume! The Drag Show will be on Wednesday, February 24 at 8 PM in the Price Center Theater. And it's FREE!

Youth Speaks To GLSEN

This event will have high school students speaking to GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network, I believe) about what it is like to be GLBT in high school. This event will be held in the Auditorium at San Diego High School on Tuesday, February 23rd, at 7 pm. San Diego High is at 1405 Park Blvd, just south of I-5 in Downtown.

For more information, please contact:

Brian Polejes 281-2542 bpolejes@jps.net

For those of you not in attendance at our 1/25 meeting, we were visited by some representative from USD Pride, the GLBT group of USD. Following

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is a verbatim excerpt from an e-mail sent to us by one of the representatives, Travis. The website addy is http://pride.acusd.edu. I already set up the link to you from us on the links page. It dulls in comparision to your guys' page, but what's a poor catholic gay group to do?? The Open House will take place on March 4th, from 5 to 7 pm in the United Front Multicultural Center located downstarts in the University Center on campus at USD. Just after the Open House will be our normal meeting, and you are all welcome to visit us and stay for that! If anyone wants to come at another time, our meetings are held weekly on Thursdays at 7 pm in the University Center, Room 104. Thanks a lot Dan! You guys REALLY have a great club! Any questions, you can contact Travis at tvowles@acusd.edu Nameless Dances just aren't any fun! Our next dance is in a mere 4 weeks! If you have a suggestion for a name, please send it to this e-mail address. We appreciate any and all submissions. _____ Lost Camera At our November dance, someone lost their black camera. If anyone has found it or knows of it swhereabouts, please contact Cheryl at WuGaL22@aol.com Just kidding, there's no contest. I forgot what I was going to use as the give away. Well, this brings the newsletter to a close. Sorry if it seemed to get terse towards the end, but as I write more and more I realize just how long this e-mail is. So, with my fingers beginning to numb I will sign off. Take care of yourselves, and each other (Ala Jerry Springer). Love, your E-mail Moderator, Daniel "shoo-whop" Schweitzer "When your mind becomes focused on one thing, you will find it everywhere. You will see it in everything around you. When you allow yourself to become obsessed with just one object, its importance and significance and occurrence will consume everything you do. When you compromise scientific rigor, you are no longer a mathematician. You are a numerologist." [For all you math fans out there.]

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-Saul, "Pi"