

# COMING UP! APRIL

A Calendar of Events • FREE

APRIL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE!

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**New Wave Pop!** Lloyds, now appearing in the film *Die Laughing*, performs live throughout the Bay Area this month. Check our calendar listings of April 18 & 19, for details on appearances at *The Palms* and at *SF's Back D.O.R.*

Arts & Entertainment  
Parties... Films... Politics  
Theater... Concerts... Outings  
Radio & TV Listings & More!

## 'Touching Your Lifestyle' Annual Coming Up! Reader Questionnaire

Dear Readers:

As April 1 approaches, so does the deadline for our first annual *Coming Up!* reader survey — an opportunity for you, the reader, to "sound off" about the issues; and a chance for us to discover ways of better serving the community.

Please, take a few minutes to complete and return the questionnaire below. Use extra paper for any comments you care to add. Completed surveys should be mailed to: *Coming Up!* Reader Survey, 150 Central Avenue, SF CA 94117.

Thanks in advance for your help in this important effort.

Sincerely,

*Bill Hartman*  
Bill Hartman  
Marketing Engineer



**Singer Gayle Marie** brings her artistry to *San Francisco's Artemis* (Apr. 4) and *Cadell Place* (Apr. 11). Consult the *Coming Up!* calendar listings for details.

## Celebrating The '06 Quake

"The Damndest Finest Ruins" was poet Lawrence Harris' description of the rubble that was San Francisco after the '06 quake and fire. It's also the title of an upcoming musical celebration commemorating that shaky event — slated for April 18, on the great quake's anniversary.

The San Francisco Lesbian Chorus, Chrysanthemum Ragtime Band, Lavender Harmony Band, and Quattro — independent gay musical groups — are jointly producing the concert as a tribute to San Francisco.

"Nearly all the music on our program relates to San Francisco or the earthquake," says Larry Rivera of the Concert Committee. "That's something we understand has never been done before. We received help locating music from the Library's History Room, the Parks and Recreation Department, and even a downtown department store."

The Chrysanthemum Ragtime Band recalls the musical charm of early San Francisco. (Continued on back page)

## Chronicle Boycott Urged

Local gay activist Randy Stallings, West Coast Coordinator of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, has called for a two-week boycott of the *San Francisco Chronicle* this month, to protest what he terms the paper's "continuing attacks on the Gay and Lesbian communities."

Stallings says he appeals to "all who cherish human rights" to cancel their subscriptions and not to buy the paper at newsstands, for the period April 1-15.

Particularly offensive to Stallings and others in the community are recent columns by Scott Newhall, who has compared the gay community to "a tribe of unruly, sexually frivolous spider monkeys," and speculated whether Mayor Feinstein — in a desire to attract gay and lesbian voters — has offered us "a cornucopia of City Hall appointments," as well as "the buffalo herd in Golden Gate Park and a lifetime pass to the city's pay toilets."

Stallings emphasizes, however, that the boycott is not just a reaction to Newhall, but a protest to a "pattern of anti-gay and sexist writing designed to be sufficiently provocative to increase readership." He cites an earlier 5-part series by columnist Charles McCabe (*Sex in the Streets*) as "another example of vicious distortions and homophobia."

"Though we support the *Chronicle's* Constitutional right to print whatever they choose," says Stallings, "we must use any legal means available to indicate our anger over their flagrant disregard for our worth and safety as human beings."

Currently, the *Chronicle* has no openly gay or lesbian columnists.

Those wanting more information — or wanting to help — can reach Stallings during office hours at 731-3300.

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"What about the festival this year?"\*

\*This year Gwen Avery, Meg Christian, Maxine Feldman, Robin Flower, Terry Garthwaite, Julie Homi, Carol McDonald & Isis, Holly Near, Robin Tyler, Nancy Vogl, and Mary Watkins will be at the National Women's Music Festival. Will you?

May 29 — June 1

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Before May 1	\$32	\$23
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**Sex:**  
 Female  
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**Sexual preference:**  
 Homosexual  
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 Heterosexual, but I'm learning  
**What is your annual income?**  
 \$25,000-\$35,000  
 \$35,000-\$45,000  
 More than \$45,000  
**Which of the following periodicals do you most often consult for information about gay and women's events?**  
 *Coming Up!*  
 *U.S. News & World Report*  
 *Hustler*  
 *Eastbay Today*  
 S. I. Hayakawa constituent newsletter  
**Do you read the advertisements in *Coming Up!*?**  
 Yes  
 No  
**Where did you get this issue of *Coming Up!*?**  
 Trinity Place  
 At my stockbroker's  
 A meeting of Women Entrepreneurs  
 Puerto Rico  
 From my secretary

**How many people usually read your copy of *Coming Up!*?**  
 5 or 6  
 7 to 9  
 10 or more  
**Gay men only: Which liquor do you most frequently order by brand name?**  
 Scotch  
 Whisky  
 Vodka  
 Gin  
**Lesbians only: Which liquor do you most frequently order by brand name?**  
 Scotch  
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**There are at least five differences between this issue of *Coming Up!*, and the current issue of *B.A.R.*. Can you spot them all?**  
 Yes  
 No  
**How often do you go to movies, concerts and shows?**  
 5 nights a week  
 Every night  
 Twice a night  
**Do you attend movies, shows or concerts that are not advertised in *Coming Up!*?**  
 Rarely  
 Hardly ever  
 Infrequently  
 Never

**How many trips involving air travel do you take each year?**  
 4 or 5  
 6 or 7  
 8 or more  
**Which of the following best describes your record album purchases of the past year?**  
 \$1,000 in disco/rock  
 \$1,000 in wimmin's music  
 \$1,000 in new wave  
 \$1,000 in classical  
 \$1,000 in Barbra Streisand albums  
**On a separate sheet of paper, please tell us about your favorite advertisement in *Coming Up!***

**THE ISSUES**  
**Do you recycle your Coors cans?**  
 Yes  
 No  
**Do you think gay people:**  
 are like a tribe of unruly, sexually frivolous spider monkeys.  
 should not act like a bunch of heterosexuals.  
 would be fully accepted by straights if we put on business suits.  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Lilith's 'Double Feature'

In Berkeley:  
Opens April 4

Returns to SF  
On April 25

See listings.

## 'Lesbian & Gay Communities'

a forum sponsored  
by San Francisco's  
Lesbian & Gay History  
Project

April 13

Season Opener! April 6!

## Community Softball League



"The Mint"  
versus  
"The Tenderloin Tigers"

See back page  
for schedule of April games  
for the Community Softball League  
and Gay Softball League.

## San Francisco Earthquake Celebration

Chrysanthemum Ragtime Band  
SF Lesbian Chorus  
Lavender Harmony Band  
and  
Quattro  
a woodwind quartet



April 18

(See listing.)

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## sunday

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**Resurrection Sunday:** Unitarian Universalist Gay Caucus, 9:45am, The Chapel, First Unitarian Church, Geary at Franklin, SF.  
**Easter Bonnet Parade,** all day long, at 18th & Castro, SF.  
**Community Softball League** opening game, 1pm. *Mighty, Mighty Mint v. Tenderloin Tigers*, Lange Field, Gough & Golden Gate, SF. Sharon McNight, SF Lesbian chorus, Lavender Harmony Band, Naional Frisbee Champions, Easter Parade & more!  
**Slideshow & Cake Sale** at G40-Plus, 1668 Bush, SF. For gay men forty & over. Info: 552-1997. 2pm  
**It's 'Dallas Alice'** making magic music at SF's Railway Express Saloon, 4:30-7:30pm. Every Sun this month at 147 Taylor. No cover.  
**International Folkdancing for Women,** every Sun nite, 7-10pm, 180 Fair Oaks in SF. Beginners welcome. More info: 621-2731.  
**Pearl Harbor & The Explosions,** 8 & 11pm at the Old Waldorf, 444 Battery, SF. Ticket info: 397-4335.  
**The Gay Life:** repeat of Saturday broadcast, 1am tonite of KSN 95FM.

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**Holly Near, Robin Flower & other women musicians** on KPFA (94.1FM), 9:30am.  
**Gays, Women & The Draft** — panel discussion & planning for April 26's *March for Survival*, 9:45am, Unitarian Universalist Gay Caucus, The Chapel, 1st Unitarian Church, Geary & Franklin, SF.  
**Theatre Rhino:** playreading of Jonathan Bloch's *Briess*, 4pm. Free at 1115 Geary, SF.  
**Benefit for Santa Clara Human Rights Coalition,** sponed by Alice B. Toklas Demo Club, 5-8pm, 186 Germania St, SF. \$7.50.  
**SF Lesbian & Gay History Project** — forum on Lesbian & Gay communities, with Amber Hollibaugh & John D'Emilio, 7:30pm, \$2, at the Women's Bldg, SF. Childcare & other info from Estelle: 658-5763 (9am-5pm).  
**Swing Shift**... Music by veteran talents Bonnie Lockhart, Susan Colson, & Joan Lefkowitz at Albany's The Bacchanal, 8pm, \$3.

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**"Out of the Closet"** — KFRC gay radio airs the 3rd Sunday of each month, 7-15am. Zohn Artman hosts on 610 AM.  
**Silicon Valley Gay Rights Fight** — Focus is on the Santa Clara County gay rights battle at Unitarian Universalist Gay Caucus, 9:45am, The Chapel, 1st Unitarian Church, Franklin at Geary, SF.  
**Women's Library Book Sale.** See 4/19 listing.  
**Rabbi Allen Bennett** of Sha'ar Zahav addresses G40plus — social & activities group for gay men 40 & over. 2pm, 1668 Bush, SF. Details: 552-1997.  
**"Outrageous!"** teams up with "A Special Day" at SF's Roxie Cinema, 3117 - 16th St. Times/prices: 863-1087.  
**Getting Together: An Evening of Asian American Music, Poetry & Films,** 7pm at La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. \$3 gen'l/srs & kids under 12 free. Benefit for Community Asian Art & Media Project. Info: 763-7116.  
**Matriarchal music** with *Amazon* at Albany's The Bacchanal, 8:30pm. With Janna MacAuslan & Ruth Scolnick.  
**Classical Guitars & Friends**... 8:30pm at Albany's The Bacchanal, "a feminist bar." \$2.

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**Brandy Moore** of the Nat'l Committee of Black Gay Men addresses the Unitarian Universalist Gay Caucus, 9:45am, The Chapel, 1st Unitarian Church, Franklin & Geary, SF.  
**Playreading** with Theatre Rhinoceros. Philip Real's *The Corner of the Eye*. Free, 4pm, 1115 Geary, SF.  
**Draft Beer Bust!** 4-7pm. See 4/9 listing.  
**Benefit for the first National Black Lesbian Conference** (to be held later this year in SF). Poetry & music at Albany's The Bacchanal. \$3-5 sliding. Time & details: 527-1314.

**April 27, 1867** — SF's *California Police Gazette* reports that a Virginia woman, Mary Walker, caught passing as a male bartender, still intends to marry her female fiance.

## monday

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**T'ai Chi Chuan:** relax body/mind with movement, music & breath in Lucia Miracchi's new class, 8:45-9:30am, Mondays & Wednesdays at the Women's Bldg, SF. \$4 single class/\$3.50 per class with series pass. Info: 585-2508.  
**Anita Bryant & Bob Green** on the *Donahue Show*, 11am, KTVU TV (Ch 2).  
**Auditions** for the all-male production of *Mame!* 5-7:30pm at Gordon's. See 4/5 listing.  
**Crawford! Davis!** *Mildred Pierce* double-bills with *All About Eve* at SF's Strand Theatre, 1127 Market. Times & prices: 552-5990.

**April 7, 1895** — Oscar Wilde on trial in London... SF *Chronicle* editorial labels the writer a "vile and hideous moral leper."

**Gay Men's Rap in Berkeley.** Drop-in, 7:30pm every Monday at Pacific Center.

**Bay Area Lesbian & Gay Gerontologists:** discussion/sharing group at SF's Metropolitan Community Church, 7:30pm. First Monday of each month.

**"Caligula"** — This \$17 million production of (questionably Gore Vidal's) debauch continues at The Lumiere in SF. 1572 California. Times/prices: 885-3200. A Penthouse film, no less.

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**Have you donated** your books to the Women's Library sale yet? (See 4/19 listing.)  
**Free VD Screening,** Mon & Thurs til 7pm; Tues & Fri til 5:30pm. Ralph Davies Med Ctr, Castro & Duboce, SF. Info: 565-6063.  
**Johnny Earl** sings o'er the ivories, 5:30 on (cocktail time) at Hotel York's The Plush Room, 940 Sutter, SF. No cover.  
**Adam & Company:** multi-styled music (hard rock to disco) at Our Bar, 832 Sonoma Blvd, Vallejo. Every Monday this month.

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**Concerned Republicans** for individual rights: Gen'l mtg, 7:30pm, at SF's Metropolitan Community Church, 3rd Mon of ea month.  
**Pamela Brooks** at Hotel York's Plush Room cabaret, 9pm, 940 Sutter, SF. Reservations necessary: 885-6800. Every Monday in April, \$2.  
**Women's News,** 10pm; *There Is A Woman In This Town*, 10:30. On KPFA, 94.1FM.

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**Men's Free V.D. Screening Clinic,** 1-7:30pm, 3850 - 17th St (btwn Noe & Sanchez), SF. Mondays thru Thursdays.  
**Lesbian Clinic in SF:** Mondays, Wednesdays 6-10pm, at SF Health Center No. 1, 3850 - 17th St. Info: 824-6491.  
**Alice B. Toklas Demo Club** — social & potluck 6:30pm/mtg 7:30. SF Metropolitan Community Church. (Normally meets the 2nd Monday of ea month.)  
**Gay coffeehouse** with G.O.A. — 7:30pm. See 4/8 listing.

## Shakespeare Does Leather!

See April 3 listing.



## tuesday

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**We're urged to boycott the Chronicle.** April 1-15, by cancelling subscriptions & declining to buy copies on the newsstands. A protest over anti-gay journalism. Front page story has more info.

**Lesbian Rap Group.** Drop-in, 7:30pm every Tues, at Berkeley's Pacific Center for Human Growth.

**Investiture of the Court of Love & Roses:** Her Imperial Majesty Tessie presiding, 7pm, California Club, 1650 Clay, SF. \$6 adv/\$8 at the door, no-host bar. Tickets at Peter Pan, Febe's, Mint, 222 Club, 'N Touch. More info: 441-9443. Pre-investiture cocktail party, 5-7pm, 222 Club (222 Hyde, SF).

**"No Maps on My Taps..."** At the Roxie Cinema: SF premiere of Nierenberg's documentary about tap dancers & dancing. "a rarely charted area of human, and especially black, experience." Thru April 10. 3117 - 16th St. Times/prices: 863-1087.

**An Evening with Christopher Isherwood** at the College of Marin. \$5. Tickets & Info: 485-9385.

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**"Nijinsky"** — Herbert Ross's film continues at The Royal, Polk & California, SF. Times/prices: 474-2131.

**Women in Apprenticeship** orientation workshop — free info session, 1-4pm, SF Public Library. More dope from Women in Apprenticeship Program: 673-3925. See also, 4/22 listing.

**SF Women's Switchboard & Women's Ctrs.** Orientation the 2nd Tues of ea month, 6pm, at the Women's Bldg.

**N.O.W./SF Chapter** meets 7pm at the Women's Bldg, 2nd Tues of ea month.

**Great Outdoor Adventures** coffee house: java, tea & a chance to meet with some gay outdoorsy types. 7:30-11pm, 433 Waller, SF. \$2.50 members/\$3.50 nonmembers. More info at 621-5336.



Women's  
Library  
Book Sale  
April 19-20

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**The Homosexual Century:** film combining documentary & the imaginative, with personal appearance by filmmaker Lionel Soukaz & philosopher Guy Hocquenghem. 7 & 9:30pm at SF's Roxie Cinema, 3117 - 16th St (at Valencia). Info at 863-1087.

**SF Gay Men's Rap,** 7:30pm, Tuesdays, at Metropolitan Community Church. Discussions, games, programs. \$2 donation. Non-sectarian.

**Winner Take All** Pool Tournament at Our Bar, 832 Sonoma Blvd, Vallejo. \$1, 8pm til. Every Tues. Info: (707) 552-9948.

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**April 22, 1879** — Feminist lawyer Laura De Force Gordon places a booklet in a 100-year time capsule in North Beach, with the inscription, "the author was a lover of her own sex..."

**Women in Apprenticeship** workshops, 1pm and 6pm in SF. See 4/8 listing.

**Harvey Milk Gay Demo Club** meets the 4th Tues of each month. Socializing, 7pm, mtg 7:30. Women's Bldg, SF.

**Pool Tournament in Vallejo.** See 4/1 listing.  
**Preview!** One Act Theatre's *Family Portrait*. \$3, tonite thru Thursday in SF. Reservations: 421-6162. Opens 4/25. (See listing.)

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**Leave it to Ken Russell!** A not-so-gay Tchaikovsky is effete & psychotic and finds women absolutely *dizzgusting* in *The Music Lovers*. Co-teature: *Luna-Strand Theatre*, 1127 Market, SF. Times/prices: 552-5990.

**Gay Latino Alliance** gen'l mtg, 7:30pm, 362 Capp, SF. Last Tues of each month.

**SF Gay Men's Rap** meets every Tuesday nite at Metropolitan Community Church. Discussion groups, games, special programs & more. 7:30pm, \$2 donation. Non-sectarian.

**Cult classic!** Curt McDowell's *Thundercrack* at SF's Roxie Cinema, 8pm, 3117 - 16 St. Plus 2 McDowell shorts: *Fly Me to the Moon* and *Wieners and Buns Musical*. Info: 863-1087.

**Maximum Rock & Roll on KPFA!** Punk, new wave, rock 'n' roll, presented by Tim and the Gang of Four. Every Tuesday, 94.1FM, 8pm.

**Weslia Whitfield** is remarkable, of course. Tuesdays at The Plush Room, 9pm on. 940 Sutter, SF. \$2 cover. Reservations a must: 885-6800.

## wednesday

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**Fruit Punch** tive, 7-8pm. Band in

**Lavender** 7:30pm, Scott, SF

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Opening April 18 at San Francisco's Clay Theatre is *The Tin Drum*, another tour de force from the New German Cinema. David Bennent is said to be remarkable in the role of a bizarrely gifted, wide-eyed and bawdy young dwarf from Danzig, witnessing the horrors and hypocrisies of the Nazi era.

## 'Touching Your Lifestyle'...

(continued from front page)

Which scene in KQED's recent documentary on S & M do you think prompted the most complaint calls to the station?

- Candle wax on nipples
- Man leading wife through supermarket like slave
- Two gay men being affectionate

San Franciscans recently voted down rent control. How do you feel about local rents?

- High, but could be higher.
- Aren't nearly high enough.
- Much too low.

How many gay men does it take to screw in a light bulb?

- One, if he's taken a "socket relaxation" course.
- Four — One to screw in the bulb, and three to redecorate the room.
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you actually know anyone who's switched parties to vote for John Anderson?

- Yes
- No

What do you think of Jimmy Carter's handling of the Iranian crisis?

- Decisively indecisive
- Forcefully weak
- Gracefully inept

If the Shah were homosexual, would he have been denied entry to the U.S.?

- Yes
- No

I know for a fact that the Shah slept with Rock Hudson.

If a Lesbian-feminist Jew returned the Shah to Iran, would the Ayatollah be grateful?

- Yes
- No

Which of the following graffiti most accurately captures your personal philosophy?

- "I Corinthians 6:9-10"
- "Broken Legs Are Coming"
- "Nicaraguan Gays Are Tops"
- "Paint or Death"

In view of John Gacy's conviction, do you believe Democrats should be allowed to teach in public schools?

- Yes
- No
- Depends on the individual Democrat

When is the best time to attend your first Gay Parade Committee meeting and complain about lack of community input?

- Three weeks before the parade
- Two weeks before the parade
- One week before the parade
- One week after the parade

Would you support a move to tear down SF City Hall to build a parking lot for a gay community center?

- Yes
- No

# Community Leagues Ready for Season

Spring means baseball fever. Giants and A's fans cheer their teams at Candlestick Park and the Coliseum. Those who follow out-of-town teams will watch and root for them on TV, or in local ballparks when their favorites come to town.

But for lesbians and gay men, there are also teams like *Peg's Place*, *The Atlas Rookies* and the *Pendulum Pirates* — teams playing in one of three local gay softball leagues. From oldest to youngest these leagues would be the Women's Softball League, Community Softball League and Gay Softball League.

The Women's League opens its season May 4 (details in next month's *Coming Up!*). Women interested in playing should be on the lookout for practice or try-out notices in women's bars.

"We should field eight or nine teams this year," says the league's Susan Fayhee. "Playing or supporting a team by coming to the games is a great alternative way for women to meet in a friendly, non-threatening atmosphere."

The Community Softball League opens its season with a gala Easter Sunday game between the *Mighty, Mighty Mint* and the *Tenderloin Tigers*. Cabaret singer Sharon McNight will sing the national anthem; a surprise celebrity will throw out the first ball. In addition to the play on the field, entertainment includes the SF Lesbian Chorus and the Lavender Harmony Band, as well as a Frisbee exhibition by three national champions — two people and an amazing dog. Topping off the festivities is an Easter Parade

around the bases, with prizes awarded for best Easter costumes and hats.

Game time is 1 pm, April 6, at J.P. Lang Field, Gough and Golden Gate Ave., SF.

The C.S.L. is predominantly gay but open to everyone. "This has caused some controversy in years past," says Commissioner Duke Joyce, "but we've stuck to our original principles despite the criticism..." We'll play a full season with 14 teams playing each other once, followed by a six-team playoff for the championship.

As to the Gay Softball League, Commissioner Tony Nemger says "our league's philosophy is not to emphasize heavy competition, but to encourage everyone to enjoy themselves and play for the fun of the game." Nemger says the G.S.L. is open to "any gay person, male or female, 21 or older. There's no upper age limit."

The G.S.L.'s season opened in March, and its 14 teams continue to play every Saturday and Sunday during the season. "The strongest teams appear to be the *Deluxe*, *Gilmore's*, *527*, and *Sutter's Mill*," says Nemger, but who'll come out on top is anybody's guess.

## APRIL SCHEDULE

### GAY SOFTBALL LEAGUE

**Apr. 5 (Sat)** — Jackson Field, 17th & Florida, SF. 2:30: *On the Mark* v. *Deluxe*, *Statements* v. *Urban Country*.

**Apr. 6 (Sun)** — Jackson Field. 1:30pm: *Sutter's Mill* v. *Chop's*, *Gilmore's* v. *Sweetlips*; 3pm: *Atlas Rookies* v. *White Swallow*.

**Apr. 12 (Sat)** — Lang Field, (Gough & Golden Gate, SF) 2:30pm: *527* v. *Bunkhouse*, *Urban Country* v. *Sutter's Mill*; 4pm: *Tara Travel* v. *Statements*, *Chop's* v. *Atlas Rookies*.

**Apr. 13 (Sun)** — Jackson Field. 1:30pm: *Deluxe* v. *Phone Booth*, *On the Mark* v. *Sweetlips*; 3pm: *White Swallow* v. *Gilmore's*.

**Apr. 19 (Sat)** — Jackson Field. 2:30pm: *Statements* v. *527*, *White Swallow* v. *Chop's*; 4pm: *Gilmore's* v. *On the Mark*, *Sweetlips* v. *Phone Booth*.

**Apr. 20 (Sun)** — Lang Field. 1:30pm: *Sutter's Mill* v. *Tara Travel*, *Atlas Rookies* v. *Urban Country*.

**Apr. 26 (Sat)** — Lang Field. 2:30pm: *Tara Travel* v. *Atlas Rookies*, *Bunkhouse* v. *Sweetlips*; 4pm: *On the Mark* v. *Atlas Rookies*, *Chop's* v. *Gilmore's*.

**Apr. 27 (Sun)** — Jackson Field. 1:30pm: *Urban Country* v. *White Swallow*, *DeLuxe* v. *Statements*; 3pm: *527* v. *Sutter's Mill*.

### COMMUNITY SOFTBALL LEAGUE

**Apr. 6 (Sun)** — Season opener at Lang Field, SF. (See story, above).

**Apr. 13 (Sun)** — Lang Field (address above). 10:30am: *The Village* v. *Sacramento*; Noon: *On the Mark* v. *The Tenderloin*, *Rainbow Cattle Co.* v. *Super Sports*; 1:30pm: *Up and Coming* v. *The Cinch*, *Film People* v. *The Ambush*; 3pm: *The Mint* v. *The Bunkhouse*, *Music Hall* v. *Yerba Buena Hotel*.

**Apr. 20 (Sun)** — Jackson Field (address above). Noon: *Sacramento* v. *Film People*, *Yerba Buena Hotel* v. *The Village*; 1:30pm: *Super Sports* v. *On the Mark*, *The Cinch* v. *Rainbow Cattle Co.*; 3pm: *The Ambush* v. *Up and Coming*, *Music Hall* v. *The Bunkhouse*.

**Apr. 27 (Sun)** — Lang Field. 10:30am: *Up and Coming* v. *Sacramento*; Noon: *Rainbow Cattle Co.* v. *The Ambush*, *The Village* v. *Music Hall*; 1:30pm: *On the Mark* v. *The Cinch*, *Film People* v. *Yerba Buena*; 3pm: *The Mint* v. *Super Sports*, *Bunk House* v. *Tenderloin*.

## Earthquake ...

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cisco (1880-1920). The ten-piece ensemble features rags, incidental theater pieces and "potted palm selections", interspersed with entertaining bits of historic interest.

The San Francisco Lesbian Chorus has rapidly grown from 7 members into an ensemble of over 60 women under the able baton of Sonni Zambino. Their music ranges from classical to contemporary, but always tries to speak directly to the lives of women.

Formed less than a year ago, The Lavender Harmony Band was chosen lead unit for 1979's Gay Freedom Day Parade. Membership in the co-sexual band is open to anyone at any level of musicianship. (See our calendar listing for April 2.)

Quattro, a woodwind quartet, frequently entertains passers-by in the streets with its extensive repertoire of classical, contemporary and novelty pieces; and has played at many special events throughout the Bay Area.

*The Damndest Finest Ruins: An Earthquake Commemorative Concert* starts at 8 pm, April 18, at the Women's Building of the Bay Area (3543 - 18th St., S.F. Wheelchair access). Tickets are \$3.50. For ticket info and childcare, call 861-4059.

"People think it's a little strange having a concert to commemorate a disaster, but there are precedents," says Rivera. "The South of Market Boys are going to meet at Lotta's Fountain that morning, as they do every April 18th. A few years ago, Mayor Alioto had an early morning earthquake party in the Civic Center Mall. Also, this year, the City is planning a two-day earthquake disaster drill for that weekend. We're not alone."



None other than the remarkable & popular Weslia Whitfield, who serenades audiences at SF's *The Plush Room* every Tuesday this month. Check our April 29 calendar listing for details.

## Earnest Comedy at the Gumption

"Our idea when we started was to have everybody do everything — act, direct if they want to; write a play if they want to; and all of whatever's involved in a theatrical production."

And in keeping with that, Ron Tierney has been by turns director, actor, publicist, set-builder and founding member of the Earnest Players, a Bay Area theatre troupe now in its third year.

Tierney has high hopes for the group's upcoming production, *Miss Stanwyck Is Still In Hiding*. The comedy, by Washington, DC playwrights Larry Puchall and Ray Hagan, played off-Broadway last year, and has its West Coast premiere this month with the Earnest Players. "I'd call it a situation comedy with underlying serious moments," Tierney says. "It's the story of what happens — the tensions and humor and the reactions of people around him — when a psychologist becomes a gay activist and decides to pursue stardom on a TV talk show. It's a lovely well-rounded play, very well-conceived."

*Miss Stanwyck* is the third major production for the Earnest Players. The first — *Gaymes*, three original one-act comedies — won a Cable Car Award in 1978. Then came *Couplings*, three more original one-acts — a Cable Car Award nominee in 1979.

"We're interested in doing all types of shows," says Tierney, "comedies, dramas, musicals, one-acts, original plays, already known plays, whatever we like and feel we can handle. Our primary interest is in plays with positive gay themes and/or characters. We want to do quality productions, and we're always interested in hearing from gay playwrights."

*Miss Stanwyck Is Still In Hiding* opens April 10 and plays Thursdays through Saturdays through May 17, at the newly re-opened Gumption Theater, 1563 Page Street in San Francisco. Tickets are available at Gramophone Records on both Polk and Castro Streets for a donation of \$4.50, or they can be purchased at the door. Curtain goes up at 8:30 pm.

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