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# HERE'S HOW

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For HOW, May had its regular monthly business meeting and social. Jack and Lee hosted a very enjoyable social which set a new attendance record of 30. The education committee gave a very positive report of Michael's participation in the library conference at Geisinger. He has been invited on several other speaking engagements for the fall months.

At the monthly business meeting it was announced that HOW has received a book, Familiar Faces, Hidden Lives, as a gift from Chuck McKee and the Harrisburg Gay Switchboard staff. We wish to express our thanks to them and to report that at least four members are reading the book, almost simultaneously. Plans for Human Rights Day, May 24, were made; Gary, Pat, and Rick plan to attend.

## HOW CALANDAR:

- June 2: Regular social meeting, 659 Beeber Street. Tureen picnic, 6:30. Call 322-7987 to co-ordinate what you are bringing.
- June 4: Rural Gay Caucus, 1:00 p.m., Middletown, Pa.
- June 16: Regular business meeting, 8:00 p.m., 659 Beeber St.
- June 22: Special speaker, Tony Silvestre, at the Brown Library (see separate article).
- July 9: Rural Gay Caucus meeting, hosted by HOW, 659 Beeber St., 1:00 p.m. This will replace the July 7 social meeting.
- July 21: Regular business meeting, 8:00 p.m. 659 Beeber St.
- August 4: Regular social meeting. Would you like to host?
- August 18: Regular business meeting, 8:00 p.m. 659 Beeber St.

HOW IS SPONSORING A TALK by Tony Silvestre, Chairperson of the Governor's Council for Sexual Minorities, at the James V. Brown Library, community Room, Wednesday, June 22, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. The topic will be "The Gay Movement, 1892-? Which Way From Here?" There will be a question and answer period following the talk.

Tony, who is currently a doctoral candidate in sociology at Penn State, has been active in Homophiles of Penn State, the Pennsylvania Rural Gay Caucus, and other statewide gay organizations. HOW is indeed fortunate and privileged to have Tony as a speaker. We hope for an excellent turnout, not only among our own group, but from the general



public as well. HOW will send out press releases to our local media and to nearby counties.

HOW is sponsoring this function in conjunction with National Gay Pride week. It is being viewed as a positive contribution to our community in fostering more understanding between the gay and non-gay worlds. At the same time, the traditional gay pride parades will be occurring in the larger metropolitan areas.

#### POLITICAL:

HOW is hosting the July meeting of the Pennsylvania Rural Gay Caucus. It will be held July 9, at 1:00 p.m. at Dan's 659 Beeber St. This is the first visit by the caucus to Williamsport and we are delighted to be hosting them. HOW members are asked to help cater and serve a picnic for those attending, and hopefully, more HOW members than usual will sit in on the business meeting. Co-operation is needed and gratefully appreciated.

#### RELIGIOUS:

The Universal Church of Jesus Christ has announced a conference entitled "Liberation Celebration: An Exploration of the Positive Role of the Gay Christian," to be held June 16, 17, 18, at the Hotel Berwick in Berwick, Pennsylvania.

Topics to be covered include Christian Social action, women and the church, sex without guilt, the Evangelical gay Christian, and an open forum among the participants and speakers. The event is designed to be a positive look at gay Christians, and both clergy and laity are invited to attend.

The cost of the three-day conference will be \$50.00 for double occupancy, \$60.00 for single occupancy, and \$30.00 without accommodations. Further information may be obtained by calling Rev. Levicoff at (215) 843-8487. Reservations should be made early, since attendance will be limited.

THE GARAGE SALE was a great success. Several members worked long hours organizing and operating the sale which netted \$27.05 for the Treasury. A special thanks for Gary, Danny, Linda, Jude, Rick, Mark, Dennis, et al, for their contributions of items and time.

IN CASE YOU THINK HOW IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE - Did you realize that HERE'S HOW now goes to California, Vermont, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Jersey, and cities throughout Pennsylvania. If you have something to share with others, HERE'S HOW can help.