

**Caucus of Lesbian & Gay  
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Greetings to all our members and friends. This issue kicks off our second year of a regularly published newsletter. We hope to have three more issues this year, inside you will find the dead-line schedule and address to have info about your group or activity printed. Now, on with the news...

### NAME CHANGE

As you can tell from the above banner, there has been a change to more fully reflect the nature of our group. This reflects the new enthusiasm of a full steering committee that will share responsibility of leadership that in the past nine years has been handed down from the few to the few. A list of these people appears inside. Your support, involvement and constructive criticism is desired!

### ANAHEIM REPORT - 112th ANNUAL MEETING - 11/11-15/84

The Caucus sponsored a number of activities: Educational/Informational Booth - as in the past, this visible focus served several functions. Straight colleagues stopped by for information about the caucus; activities sponsored by various local and national groups were highlighted by the overabundance of pamphlets available and many new friendships were started by those stopping by. The Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center admirably staffed the tables with Los Angelino charm and enthusiasm. Hospitality Suite - at the Jolly Roger Inn was huge and even included a terrace. Those who did not feel comfortable to stop by the booth publicly were able to enjoy camaraderie and also pick-up pamphlets.  
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### A MESSAGE FROM THE NEW CO-CHAIR, HELEN SCHIETINGER, MA, RN

Three years ago, when I began working with the AIDS crisis, I joined APHA. I felt that this affiliation was appropriate since I was involved with a major public health issue, being addressed not only by county & state health departments around the country, but also by the CDC. I soon realized that AIDS statistics were mentioned occasionally in "The Nation's Health," but that the public health implications were never analyzed in depth. I finally stopped expecting to see an article on AIDS in the Journal. As I thought about it, the fact that the largest body of public health professionals (Ed-30,000 + agency members) in the country seemed to exhibit such little interest in this major epidemic was rather bizarre. (continued on p. 4)

### DUES REDUCTION

For 1985, the steering committee has adopted the following structure: General/Basic: \$20; APHA members/students/retired: \$10.