(LIFE, from p. 7)

Carolina in Chapel Hill and complain if you don't like it. There would be no better time than now. You will be heard. You could not get a politician in North Carolina on a bet to publicly support this use of student fees for this sinful and criminal activity" (Jan. 19). Windsor requests his sympathizers to pressure state politicans to discontinue the use of student funds for the Association.

For the record, the CGA office is public; it's on the second floor; and the cash contribution (\$778 in 1983-84) is 0.3% of total student fees allocated to organizations. All expenditures from student fees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill are decided by the student government itself in their spring budget proceedings.

-Bill

"Show Our Strength — 1984"

Washington, DC--Vic Basile, Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, announced today that the HRCF Board of Directors has approved plans for a major fundraising campaign designed to enlist at least 10,000 new supporters and contributors to the national gay PAC. The campaign will be entitled "Show Our Strength--1984" or S.O.S.-'84.

"Most of our fundraising to date has been focused on six or seven major cities," Basile explained. "This campaign will be an effort to establish HRCF volunteer groups in at least 100 additional cities and towns across the country, where there is an active gay community," he added. Volunteers in each city will work to identify prospects who will be asked to make a contribution of \$19.84 to HRCF, and who will be added to the growing list of HRCF supporters and contributors.

"This is a grassroots campaign," said Kerry Woodward, HRCF co-chair. "Many people cannot afford to attend expensive dinner parties and make contributions of \$100 or more. This campaign is designed to reach them, with a contribution that is significant but within their incomes."

Basile noted that the S.O.S.-'84 campaign will augment other fundraising efforts being carried out by HRCF, such as city committee fundraising campaigns in major metropolitan areas like Boston, New York, Washington, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas and Houston. In addition, HRCF will continue its direct mail fundraising program and efforts to identify major donors.

Financial reports filed with the Federal Elections Commission for 1983 show that the Fund had a balance of approximately \$16,000 at the outset of 1983, raised about \$321,000 in 1983, disbursed \$324,000, and ended the year with a surplus of about \$13,000.

"Traditionally PACs have a difficult time raising money in off-election years," Basile noted. Last year HRCF concentrated on organizing fundraising efforts in major cities, building up our list of contributors through direct mail prospecting, and bringing our computer operation in-house which will in the long run save thousands of dollars. We kept disbursements to candidates in 1983 to a minimum and focused our efforts on getting ready for 1984."

"By next November, HRCF will raise and disburse thousands of dollars to Congressional candidates who support gay and lesbian rights, and who share our concerns about increased funding for AIDS research and treatment and unfair, discriminatory immigration laws. None of this would be possible without the tremendous support and contributions from thousands of people across the country who understand what HRCF is all about.

Persons interested in working on S.O.S.-'84, or in other activites of the Fund should contact:

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-Elizabeth Cady Stanton