



## HIGH TECH GAYS

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Joseph D. McNamara  
Chief of Police  
801 N. First St.  
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Dear Chief McNamara:

I want to convey to you the thanks and appreciation of the members of High Tech Gays for your candid and direct talk to our organization on Sunday evening. Your understanding of the concern which the gay community has towards often unsympathetic police officers is a definite step in the direction of mutual respect.

I also want to bring to your attention, as you suggested we do, a case of gay bashing perpetrated about a year ago in San Jose, and which just came to my attention today from Mr. John Vaughn of the Public Defenders Office.

The victim, Barney Grubbs, was severely beaten by two assailants after they had mutually stopped for a liaison. In his attempt to flee the scene of his beating, Grubbs' car apparently hit the bumper of the truck belonging to his attackers. They filed hit and run charges which were supposedly supported by investigation by San Jose police officers. Grubbs faces possible jail time and his attackers have assumed the cloak of innocence. How can the physical evidence of a battered body, broken bones and many stitches be ignored by a police investigation? Does a dented fender equate with a life threatening beating, in the eyes of the law?

Thank you for any review of this file which you could initiate, and again, thank you for your appearance at our meeting.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rick Rudy', written in a cursive style.

Rick Rudy  
President, HTG

cc: John Vaughn  
Councilwoman Susan Hammer  
BAYMEC