

**An evening with a spellbinding raconteur
Alan Kaufman, Author of "Jew Boy"
Thursday, April 26th**



Nobody seeing the Book Review section of the San Francisco Chronicle last September 10th could have helped noticing the front page review of "Jew Boy" the hard-hitting autobiography of San Francisco resident Alan Kaufman. The subhead summarized: "After years of self-hatred, a brawler-turned-poet finds peace."

Well, we're fortunate to have been able to persuade the gregarious and charismatic Mr. Kaufman to talk about the book, and whatever else pops into his feverish mind, at the

University Club on April 26th. Don't miss a fascinating evening.

"Jew Boy" is a "classic, if wholly unconventional, American coming-of-age story" told by someone who never felt he was part of

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**Save the date!
The Club's Annual Dinner
Thursday, June 21**



Last year's Annual Dinner attracted a capacity crowd, so don't miss your chance to attend this year's event at the beautiful Ft. Mason Officers' Club on Thursday evening, June 21st.

Our guest speaker will fly in from Cambridge for the occasion. He is Charles Willie, recently retired professor at the Harvard School of Education. A human rights activist, Willie was a

classmate of Martin Luther King, Jr., at Morehouse College. He has published over 25 books and numerous articles on the topics of diversity, race relations, black and white families, minorities in higher education.

It should make for a memorable evening. Watch for details in the next newsletter.

**A Latino Committee event
Cinco de Mayo with Pancho Jiménez
Tuesday, May 1**



Join us on Tuesday, May 1st at the University Club, where sculptor Francisco "Pancho" A. Jiménez will present an overview of his extraordinary art, accompanied by slide illustrations. The sculptor will discuss pre-Columbian art, the development of his work from small tabletop works to large public works to tile hangings, and other topics. Jiménez works primarily in clay. His work ranges from large

architectural scale work to smaller, more intimate constructions. He has exhibited extensively in gallery and public spaces. His work has been featured in Ceramics Monthly and in two Lark Book publications: The Ceramic Design Book and Extruded Ceramics.

Pancho currently lectures in the Art and Art History Department at Santa Clara University, as well as serving as Project Manager for the Center for Multicultural Learning. He has also been associated with New Langton Arts in San Francisco, and with the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, as well as teaching art courses for children. Pancho received his Masters of Fine Arts from San Francisco State University and his undergraduate degree with a double major in Studio Art and History from Santa Clara University. He also studied at the Universidad Autónoma de México in Mexico City.

We're grateful to the Club's Latino Committee for organizing this unique cross-cultural Cinco de Mayo event. Don't miss it!

Cost is \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door for members; \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door for non-members. University Club,

800 Powell Street (at California). Reply to the Club by phone at (415) 421-4700, by fax at (415) 421-6424 or by e-mail to hcsf@harvardclub-norcal.org. The University Club dress code requires jacekt for men and comparable formality for women. No denim or tennis shoes.

Current Events

APRIL

- 26 Kaufman
- 28 Potomac Cruise
- 28 Book Discussion Group

MAY

- 1 Cinco de Mayo
- 5 Tao House
- 12 Toulouse-Lautrec

JUNE

- 2 River Rafting

Back by popular demand
Eugene O'Neill's East Bay "Tao House"
Saturday, May 5



Several fortunate Club members made this memorable visit some years ago, and found it enormously enjoyable. We have scheduled a two-hour revisit for Saturday, May 5th.

Eugene O'Neill, the only Nobel Prize winning playwright from the United States and the architect of modern American theater, lived at Tao House in the hills above Danville from 1937 to 1944. It was at this site that he wrote his final and most successful plays; "The Iceman Cometh," "Long Days Journey Into Night," and "A Moon For the Misbegotten."

He is pictured here with his wife, actress Carlotta Monterey. Although their life together at Tao House was tumultuous, he often referred to her as his "collaborator." She was devoted to maintaining the isolated home environment in which his genius flourished, and the National Park Service restoration clearly shows the same devotion.

Our group will assemble in Danville at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 5 for the van ride up to Tao House. There will be a charge of \$5 per person for members, \$10 for guests. As we must notify the Park Service of the exact number of people who will be attending, please make your reservation early.

Directions: From San Francisco, take Highway 24 to Walnut Creek, then I-680 south to the Sycamore Valley Road exit in Danville. Follow the signs for Sycamore Valley Road East. This exit ramp circles around over the freeway and brings you on to Sycamore Valley Road heading east. At the second traffic light, turn left into the Park and Ride parking lot. You may park anywhere in the lot. The Park's van will stop near the bus stop. Please allow enough time so that you can be there promptly at 12:30 p.m.

Harvard hits the rapids
Whitewater Rafting Extravaganza
Saturday, June 2



Don't miss out on the hottest (coolest) event of the year! Last year, the rafting trip was three times oversubscribed. Don't be left out of the party this time!

Come to Upper Cache Creek in Northern California, a whitewater rafting run through the wild country where tule elk roam the canyons and bald eagles soar. Upper Cache is a river that defies description for its canyons and mountains that almost overwhelm the senses with their sheer beauty.

The Upper Cache is a class 3 whitewater run through a volcanic canyon, accessible only by water. Our one-day excursion will venture 8 miles through rugged wilderness, towering canyons and oak studded meadows. Swift currents, big waves, plenty of sun and whitewater will ensure action-packed excitement. This is a great way to spend a day. Lunch will be served as a riverside picnic and is included in the price.

We must reserve and pay before May 15, 2001. Price per person is \$60 if you make your reservation before April 15, and \$75 thereafter. Make your reservations with the Harvard Club at: hcsf@harvardclub-norcal.org or call the Club office at (415) 421-4700 soon. This event will sell out fast.

For details on meeting time, place and directions, please call the Club Office at (415) 421-4700 starting on May 20.

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**Special Harvard Club docent tour
Toulouse-Lautrec and The Spirit of Montmartre
Saturday, May 12**

Your Activities Committee has made special arrangements for a docent-led tour of the new exhibit at the Palace of the Legion of Honor — “Toulouse-Lautrec and the Spirit of Montmartre: Cabarets, Humor, and the Avant-Garde, 1875-1905” for Saturday, May 12th. We’ll view over 400 works, including illustrated books and journals, prints, posters, drawings, water-colors, shadow theater silhouettes, and various ephemera such as invitations and programs from cabaret, music hall, and theatrical performances.



Montmartre was the catalyst for artistic and intellectual collaboration at a time when avant-garde activity relied on humor, challenging the established standards of

art and using non-traditional media, all of which profoundly influenced early 20th-century art forms such as dada, surrealism and performance art.

The tour will begin promptly at 9:20 a.m. (before the crowds arrive), and will last about one hour. We will of course be free to explore more of the exhibit or the museum on our own after the

tour. The cost is \$15 per person (\$13 for seniors over 65). The number of people who can be accommodated on the tour is limited, so sign up early to assure yourself a place.

The Palace of the Legion of Honor is located in Lincoln Park, and can be reached by taking Legion of Honor Drive from 34th Avenue and Clement, or (if you are coming across the Golden Gate Bridge) by taking Lincoln Boulevard and El Camino del Mar. The Club group will meet at the main entrance to the museum.



Reservation Form (Events marked (R) require advance reservations) Advance reservation must be accompanied by payment.

The Club policy requires 48-hour notice or cancellations. No-shows will be charged. We accept Visa and MasterCard credit cards.

EVENT	DATE	COST	NO.	\$ AMT.
Kaufman	4/26	Members \$10/advance, \$15/a the door; Non-members \$15/advance, \$20/at the door	x _____ =	\$ _____
Potomac Cruise (R)	4/28	\$30 / Adults, \$15 / Children 6-17	x _____ =	\$ _____
Cinco de Mayo	5/1	Members \$10 / advance, \$15 / at the door; Non-members \$15 / advance, \$20 / at the door	x _____ =	\$ _____
Tao House (R)	5/5	\$5 / Members, \$10 / non-members	x _____ =	\$ _____
Toulouse-Lautrec	5/12	\$15 / Members, \$13 / seniors 65 and over	x _____ =	\$ _____
River Rafting (R)	6/2	\$60/per person before April 15, \$75 / person thereafter	x _____ =	\$ _____
Book Award Donation		\$25 Recommended	x _____ =	\$ _____
			Total	\$ _____

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You may fax credit card payment to: Harvard Club of San Francisco, (415) 421-6424. Please make checks payable to: Harvard Club of San Francisco. Note: Refunds require 48 hours notice. No confirmations are made. Door lists are maintained. All reservations made less than 48 hours prior to an event must be made by credit card. The University Club dress code requires coat and tie for men and comparable formality for women. NO denim or tennis shoes.

**History and beautiful SF Bay
Cruise on FDR's yacht "Potomac"
Saturday, April 28, 2001**



Reminder to all Club members who are still holding their tickets from last October's canceled cruise: the rescheduled cruise will take place on Saturday morning, April 28th.

Go to the FDR pier at the north end of Jack London Square in Oakland. Plan to arrive by 9:30 a.m. to view an orientation video at the visitor center (corner of Clay and Water Streets). Boarding will be 10 a.m. and the vessel will sail at 10:30 for the two-hour cruise.

There may be two or three tickets still available at the time this newsletter reaches you. Call the Club office, (415) 421-4700 to inquire.

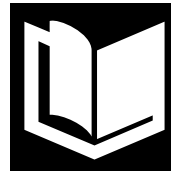
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it. Alternately beaten as a child with rolling pins by his Holocaust-survivor mother, and ignored by his father, Kaufman traces his often violent, alcohol-filled odyssey from the Bronx to the Haight.

Kaufman is the former editor of *Jewish Frontier*, and was the youngest serving editor with Irving Howe of the prestigious *Tel Aviv Review*. His other major book, the "Outlaw Bible of American Poetry," is in its third printing and has been published in several languages.

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**Book Discussion Group
Saturday, April 28**



The April meeting of the Book Discussion Group will be on Saturday, April 28, at 4 p.m. This month's book will be "The Way We Live Now," by Anthony Trollope. (The book is available at Border's Books.) We will meet at the home of George and Shirley Duke, 50 Monte Cimas Avenue, Mill Valley. Call the Dukes at (415) 381-3863 if you plan to attend, or need directions.

As a matter of historical interest, a recent issue of the *Economist* notes that reading groups go back a long way: "The Dalton Book Club in Cumbria was started by 17 men in 1764; and when a man has been a member for 50 years, he has to buy a bottle of brandy for the club." No such rule applies to our group.

**Harvard Club of Boston
Non-resident Membership Offer**



Many members of the Harvard Club of San Francisco are familiar with the impressive location and facilities of the Harvard Club of Boston. They can be viewed in detail at www.harvardclub.com.

As part of a *non-resident* membership drive, for the next thirty days (until April 30th), the Harvard Club of Boston is waiving its initiation fee and inviting members of other Harvard Clubs to join. Many of our sister clubs around the world have already announced this offer to their members, and we have elected to do so as well.

For full details, contact Lyn Washington, Membership Director, at (617) 536-1260 extension 409, or email her at lwashington@harvardclub.com.



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