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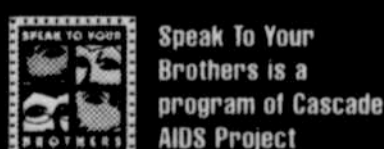


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**NATIONAL news**

**CALIFORNIA**

San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammiano may be running for mayor. Last month Ammiano filed his intent to run for mayor with the state Department of Elections. This allows him to raise money and explore a serious run for the office, but it is not a formal entrance into the race, according to a July 22 story in the *San Francisco Examiner*.

Ammiano said it is likely he will run for mayor, but he stopped short of committing to run.

"This is a very serious step," he said. "I've declared with wiggle room."

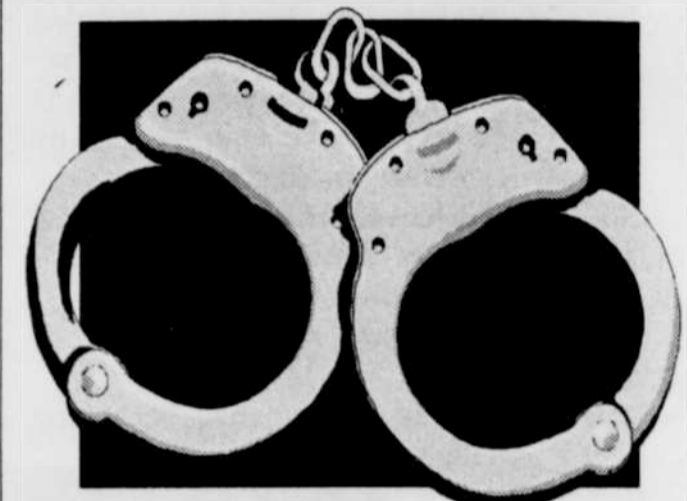
Ammiano is an openly gay supervisor. In the last Board of Supervisors election he garnered the most votes. He has been a harsh critic of current mayor, Willie Brown. Some of Ammiano's positions include advocating a limit on ATM fees and an \$11 per hour living wage for workers whose companies do business with the city of San Francisco.

He has said that he will make a final decision on whether to run in the very near future. Ammiano is currently trying to determine if he could motivate enough volunteers and raise enough money to mount a viable campaign against Brown.

a temporary exemption during the appellate process. The July 30 ruling rejected that request. The appeal is ongoing.

On July 1, Gary Matson, 50, and Winfield Scott Mowder, 40, were found shot dead in bed in their home in Happy Valley, a small town approximately 180 miles north of San Francisco. The couple had been together for 16 years.

At the end of July, brothers Benjamin Matthew Williams, 31, and James Tyler Williams, 29, were charged with murder with special circumstances, robbery, burglarizing the couple's home and stealing their car.



Prosecutors are treating the deaths of Mowder and Matson as hate crimes, various media sources report. If convicted, the brothers could face the death penalty.

"Murder is the ultimate expression of hate. I'm looking forward to them being prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law," said Shasta County Sheriff Jim Pope.

The duo, whom police believe are white supremacists, were arrested when they picked up equipment to assemble ammunition. They had charged the equipment to Matson's credit card. In addition to the credit card, they were in possession of Matson's wallet, driver's license and Social Security card.

At the time of the arrest, the men were armed with weaponry, including assault rifles and a shotgun.

A search of the brothers' homes turned up anti-Semitic writings and a notebook containing the names of people associated with three Sacramento-area synagogues that were set on fire in June. The brothers are suspects in the three arson fires, which resulted in more than \$1 million in damage.

Found among the materials were handouts from the World Church of the Creator, a white supremacist group based in East Peoria, Ill.

According to police, the brothers and the gay couple knew one other. Their paths apparently crossed through horticulture.

"The brothers were in the landscape business, and one of the victims worked in a nursery at a big store and the other was a horticulturist at a local arboretum," said Ron Richardson of the Shasta County Sheriff's Department.

Mowder was the manager of the garden section of Orchard Supply Hardware in Redding. Matson was a well-known horticulturist and expert on native plants. He helped found the Redding Arboretum and the Carter House Natural Science Museum, now part of the Turtle Bay Museums and Arboretum on the River.

Matson specialized in organic gardening. He had just started a business selling plants via the Internet.

According to Matson's brother, both men had helped raise Matson's daughter from a previous relationship.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

On July 29, the House of Representatives rejected a measure that would have banned adoptions by same-sex couples in the District of Columbia.



San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammiano at San Diego pride festivities July 23

Commenting on the possibility of an Ammiano bid for the mayor's job, Brown campaign spokesman P.J. Johnston said: "If Mr. Ammiano is going to run, Mayor Brown welcomes him to the debate. [Brown] will make the case that while they agree on many issues, such as human rights, there are some big differences between the two. Mayor Brown has the experience and the ability to bring San Franciscans together, not one ideological faction."

On July 30 the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused to exempt airlines from the city ordinance requiring companies to offer benefits to employees' domestic partners.

The federal appeals court ruling means the airlines must now offer bereavement leave, family medical leave and spousal flight discounts to San Francisco domestic partners.

According to The Associated Press, soon after the ruling United Airlines announced it would offer benefits to domestic partners of employees and retirees elsewhere in the country beginning next May.

The city law, which took effect in 1997, requires companies doing business with the city to offer the same benefits to employees' domestic partners as they do to employees' spouses.

In May, a federal judge directed the airlines to comply with portions of the law for their employees in San Francisco, although she exempted the companies from the ordinance's pension and health benefits requirements.

The airlines appealed the decision, asking for