

been the recipient of an "Outstanding Investigator" grant from the NIH for the last several years. But after his series of articles attacking the HIV theory, Duesberg was notified last year by the NIH that his grant had technically been "approved," but that it did not make the cut-off point for funding. Duesberg pointed out in his appeal that many of the people involved in peer-reviewing his grant

and with a currently unproductive AIDS program, the general public may wonder if it is getting its money's worth. And as charges of wasted funds and nonchalance about fraud seep into the public mind, the whole question arises of who the NIH is for and what its role should be in an era of extensive research by universities, private foundations and private industry.

**Obituary**

**Craig Davidson**


The New York chapter of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) announced the death of Craig Davidson, former and founding executive director, from complications related to AIDS. Davidson became the first executive director in 1987, leaving his job as a lawyer to accept the initially unpaid position. He served as GLAAD's executive director until his retirement in September of 1990.

Under Davidson's leadership, GLAAD grew to a five-member staff, experienced many dramatic program successes and rapid budgetary growth, and developed a network of chapters in over ten cities across the country. Davidson also forged dozens of productive relationships between GLAAD and media professionals in New York and other cities, creating a dialogue between the community and those who cover it that continues to broaden public understanding of lesbian and gay people.

Davidson was also active in numerous public interest legal organizations, including serving as chair of the Council of New York Law Associates from 1987-90.

Davidson is survived by his lover of 12 years, Michael Valentini; his parents, Donald and Jean Davidson of Bellevue, Washington; and his sister Kathryn Davidson of Seattle, Washington.

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