



election news

special edition

GPC bloc vote on the line May 5

Amid the swarm of candidates at GPC's endorsement night, heads turned to watch a familiar figure as he shook members' hands—Sheriff Jack Heard. Heard, of course, was the mayoral candidate who criticized Kathy Whitmire for her gay support during their 1981 race. His hopes dimmed when gay voters associated him with a full-page homophobic newspaper ad and a last-minute homophobic mailgram. Heard, who screened in March, specifically denied any connection with the ad or mailgram and told the endorsement night audience he had never been involved in anything detrimental to gays.

The caucus, however, overwhelmingly endorsed Johnny Klevenhagen, a 20-year law-enforcement veteran. Klevenhagen, who retired from the Sheriff's Department with the rank of major, holds a master's degree in police administration. He also considers gays an important part of his coalition. His is one of six races targeted for volunteer emphasis.

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the free-for-all for Ron Paul's seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In what many candidates called the city's most thorough procedure, GPC screened 57 Democrats and 3 Republicans, endorsing 28 Democrats and 2 Republicans. Several Republican judicial candidates indicated they would screen after the May 5 primaries. Two Republican U.S. Senate hopefuls discussed the possibility of screening, but neither actually scheduled.

Like other gay organizations across the state, Gay Political Caucus was heavily courted by U.S. Senate candidates Lloyd Doggett and Bob Krueger. And like other gay organizations, the caucus overwhelmingly endorsed state Sen. Lloyd Doggett, a well-respected and well-financed candidate who has garnered the vast majority of endorsements. To offset Krueger's name recognition, Doggett has said he hopes to build a coalition much like Ann Richards and Jim Hightower did in their races two years ago. Changes for gay endorsements for Krueger capsize when gay endorsing organizations questioned the former congressman about his vote for the McDonald Amendment. The amendment would have cut off free legal aid to gays offered through the Legal Services Corp. Krueger stated he voted for the amendment to



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Other candidates profiled on Page 2

Hannah Chow, running for County Civil Court No. 3, and Toni Ilagas Ingversen, seeking the judgeship of the 14th Court of Appeals, Place 1, are hoping to become the first Asian-American judges—in fact, the first Asian-American elected officials—in the county. Chow serves on the University of Houston Downtown Humanities Advisory Board and is legal counsel to the Asian-American Council of Organizations and Asian Community Support Services Center. Chow's race has been targeted. Ingversen offers a wide range of legal experience, both civil and criminal, including research and writing appellate briefs and arguing before appellate courts.

A crucial judicial race targeted by the caucus was the 174th District Court, pitting James G. "Greg" Glass against incumbent Jon N. Hughes. The race is expected to put GPC's political clout in judicial races to a severe test. GPC seldom endorses against an acceptable incumbent, and a loss here could cast a shadow across all the progress the caucus has made at the county courthouse. The caucus has a chance, though, to put an energetic proponent of pre-trial release and a strong supporter of minority rights on an important court.

In the final targeted judicial race, Sheila Jackson Lee is seeking the 215th Civil District Court seat. Lee, who prompted such remarks as "phenomenal" from the

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The final targeted candidate is Lee Wilson, running for state representative, District 148. Wilson, an attorney, is being supported by the same coalition that backed Frumencio Reyes two years ago. Wilson's opponent, Rep. Roman Martinez, was heavily supported by City Councilman Ben Reyes during Martinez's first race. Martinez won that 1981 election by a heart-rending 13 votes over longtime community supporter Frumencio Reyes.

Judicial candidates don't get much publicity, especially in a presidential year. Their races are seldom exciting. But few could argue with the importance of electing judges who make life and death decisions who also support gay rights.

Fortunately, it's here GPC's impact is

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GPC Endorsement Card

DEMOCRATS:

United States Senator
U.S. Rep. 18
U.S. Rep. 8

Chief Justice, Texas Supreme Court
Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1

1st Court of Appeals, Place 2
14th Court of Appeals, Place 2

State Rep. 131
State Rep. 132
State Rep. 137
State Rep. 142
State Rep. 148

Harris Cty. District Attorney
Harris Cty. Sheriff
Harris Cty. Commissioner Pct. 1
Harris Cty. Constable Pct. 7
County Civil Court at Law No. 3

127th Dist. Court Judge
151st Dist. Court Judge
164th Dist. Court Judge
174th Dist. Court Judge
178th Dist. Court Judge
215th Dist. Court Judge
333rd Dist. Court Judge
337th Dist. Court Judge
339th Dist. Court Judge
351st Dist. Court Judge
County Chair

REPUBLICANS

U.S. Rep. 22
127th Dist. Court Judge

* Indicates targeted races

Lloyd Doggett
Mickey Leland
Jay Marcus Hill

John Luke Hill
Sam Houston Clinton

Michol O'Connor
Toni Ilagas Ingversen

Ron Wilson
Paul Colbert
Debra Danburg
Harold V. Dutton Jr.
Lee Wilson*

David A. Jones
Johnny Klevenhagen*
El Franco Lee
A.B. Chambers
Hannah Chow*

Alice Trevathan
Herb H. Ritchie
Peter S. Solito
James G. "Greg" Glass*
Doug O'Brien
Sheila Jackson Lee*
Elinor Walters
Bob Burdette
Lupe Salinas
Jay W. Burnett
Barbara Stanley

Joseph Agris*
Sharolyn Wood

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Candidates as diverse as gay community

Mickey Leland:

One of Houston's most-respected black leaders, few people anywhere are as outspoken for minority rights—including gay rights—as Congressman Leland. Leland has worked actively in Washington for gay rights, both publically and behind the scenes.

Marc Hill:

A progressive candidate, Hill will also make a formidable opponent for Republican Jack Fields. He has worked with leaders of the community, most recently in Anne Wheeler's city council campaign.

John Luke Hill:

A former state attorney general and secretary of state, John Hill was the first gubernatorial candidate to seek GPC's endorsement. Hill will bring to the Texas Supreme Court, a civil court, sensitivity to the gay community the court has never had before.

Sam Houston Clinton:

The judge of Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1, provides a scholarly yet populist perspective. He ruled in favor of the gay community in *Liebman and Bloomer vs. Texas*, firmly establishing the right to privacy.

Ron Wilson:

The sponsor of the Equal Opportunity Commission bill is a longtime friend of the community. He also has survived recent political attacks and is the front-runner in his race for state representative, District 131.

Paul Colbert:

State Rep. Paul Colbert, famous for his chocolate party fund-raisers, is no stran-

ger to the community. Colbert is a well-respected member of the House whose expertise in education is widely acknowledged.

Debra Danburg:

Danburg not only has been the voice of Montrose in the state Legislature, she has been one of the major voices for progressive legislation in the state House. It was Danburg who led the successful fight to keep the Ceverah bill (criminalizing homosexual behavior) from ever getting to the House floor.



Greg Glass

Harold V. Dutton Jr.:

Dutton, who is seeking El Franco Lee's old seat in the state House, is being supported by the same coalition that supported Lee. Dutton is an experienced lobbyist who is familiar with the legislative process.

David A. Jones:

The Democratic nominee for district attorney is enlisting GPC's early support in what is expected to be a close race with DA Johnny Holmes. Jones, a former prosecutor, advocates less plea bargaining; a system of dealing with some class C misdemeanors with citations; better caseload management; more aggressive prosecu-

tion of family violence cases; and effective use of pre-trial release, a program affecting mostly misdemeanors that has saved gay clients approximately \$100,000 a year.

El Franco Lee:

Lee, known for his understatement, has been a strong ally of Debra Danburg's in the state Legislature. Lee is also known for getting things done and should add a progressive voice to the County Commissioners Court.

A.B. Chambers:

The long-time constable was the first constable to show any sensitivity to the gay community. It was Chambers who deputized Fred Paez, the late gay activist.

Alice Trevathan:

A distinguished attorney, Trevathan is a member of the board of directors of the Houston Trial Lawyers Association. The Montrose resident also has extensive civil trial experience.

Herb H. Ritchie:

The Montrose attorney offers a comprehensive civil background, including corporate and private practice, as well as criminal trial and appellate experience.

Peter S. Solito:

The imminently qualified judge of the 164th District Court has been a civil, criminal and family relations judge. His record on gay issues has been very progressive.

Doug O'Brien:

O'Brien served as an assistant district attorney for four years before going into private practice, in which he has defended numerous gay clients. The Mont-

rose resident is in a crowded race for the 178th District Court seat.

Elinor Walters:

Walters, who was endorsed two years ago, is a professor at the University of Houston-Clear Lake City, president of the Texas Municipal Courts Association and an associate municipal judge in Seabrook.

Bob Burdette:

The recent Mark White appointee to the 337th District Court is a former assistant district attorney and a member of the faculty of the Houston Police Academy.

Lupe Salinas:

The recently appointed judge was chief of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office, special assistant to the U.S. attorney general, an assistant DA and an assistant U.S. attorney. Salinas is a long-time civil rights activist whose excellent screening reflects his commitment.

Jay W. Burnett:

The well-organized and well-financed candidate for the 351st District Court is the front-runner in the race, as well as in the Bar poll.

Barbara Stanley:

The Democratic party activist, considered the favorite in the race for party chair, has been campaigning hard. She also screened well.

Sharolyn Wood:

Wood is becoming fairly well-known in the gay community for her aggressive campaign style. Wood received the GPC endorsement two years ago, but the Republican lost in the Democratic sweep. She is an outspoken, articulate spokesperson for minority rights

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2 General meeting
3 Last day to register to vote in June 2 primary run-off elections
3 GPC Democratic Committee meeting
5 PRIMARY ELECTIONS, PRECINCT CONVENTIONS, ELECTION CENTRAL
16 General meeting
19 Senate district conventions—Republican and Democratic

- JUNE** 2 PRIMARY RUN-OFF ELECTIONS
5 Board meeting
6 General meeting
14-24 GAY PRIDE WEEK
15-16 Republican State Convention (Fort Worth)
15-17 Democratic State Convention (Houston)
23 GPC Celebration 84

- JULY** 10 Board meeting
11 General meeting
16-20 Democratic National Convention (San Francisco)
18 General meeting
31 Board meeting

- AUGUST** 1 General meeting
15 General meeting
21-24 Republican National Convention (Dallas)

- SEPTEMBER** 4 Board meeting
5 General meeting
19 General meeting
30 Montrose Jam

- OCTOBER** 2 Board meeting
3 General meeting
6 Deadline for voter registration
17 General meeting

- NOVEMBER** 6 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS
7 General meeting

- DECEMBER** 4 Board meeting
5 General meeting

A gay census means more effective organizations

GPC members are charged with investing the community's trust and support in candidates for public office. Some members cast such votes within the framework of their own political ideology, while others try to reflect a supposed ideological point of view encompassing the community as a whole.

As we have matured and established our political beachhead, more candidates of a conservative bent have asked for our support. Without some mechanism to measure the range of political beliefs within the lesbian/gay community we will continue playing a guessing game.

The caucus must be sensitive and responsive to the entire community or we will simply not be relevant in the future. It is too simple to say that if conservative and other non-liberals want GPC to represent their interests, they should join the caucus. Of course, everyone should join the caucus and participate in the decision-making. But Gay Political Caucus needs a larger data base than members who attend. Houston needs a census of the gay population.

We need to know what you want us to do. We need to know who we represent, what your political priorities are, how you've been discriminated against. The Montrose Clinic and the KS/AIDS Foundation need to know what your health care concerns are and what approaches to those concerns you will support. The Montrose Counseling Center needs to know how you feel about yourself, how

that has changed in the past 5 to 10 years and what kinds of programs they should offer in the future.

Educated estimates indicate there are about 250,000 gays in the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area. Almost 90,000 visit bars regularly, eat at our restaurants, attend gay churches, belong to gay organizations and/or buy goods and services in Montrose. If we do our homework 40,000 people will vote our endorsements and 100,000 will attend our Gay Pride Week celebrations this year.

We must take a census. It must be as accurate as possible. It must be anonymous. It must be comprehensive. The project is the largest we've ever considered. It will require weeks of data collection, months of processing. Data processing professionals will have to help us design the questionnaire after every element of the community contributes questions. To be successful, this must be a total community commitment.

The ideal time to undertake such a project is during Gay Pride Week. Just the process of taking the survey will have a positive effect on our mutual commitment and help raise some people's level of consciousness. The end results will give us the best data base any gay community has ever had.

As soon as the dust settles after the primaries a special community meeting will be called for all interested parties. Watch the Montrose Voice and TWT for that announcement.

Candidates count on GPC volunteers

The lesbian and gay community of Houston is well-known for the thousands of hours volunteered each year to GPC-endorsed candidates throughout Harris County. One show of our strength is measured by the calls we receive every year to provide women and men to run errands, make yard signs, organize precincts and prepare the enormous amount of mail needed to help win a campaign. Gay volunteers have been the backbone of many campaigns, including those of Kathy

Whitmire, Debra Danburg, Ron Waters and Ann Richards. Working side by side with volunteers from across the county, we are able to educate our neighbors on gay issues while advancing a common cause.

Everyone is encouraged to help our endorsed candidates by volunteering a few hours a week and attending fundraisers to help defray campaign expenses. Gay visibility is one of our strongest tools.

CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS

Lloyd Doggett Campaign	2016 Main, Suite 111	739-1232
Joseph Agris Campaign	6560 Fannin #1730	797-6292
Johnny Klevenhagen Campaign	Milam at Dennis	520-4500
Lee Wilson Campaign	2103 North Main	227-4127
Greg Glass Campaign	3407 Montrose #205	521-9216
Sheila Jackson Lee Campaign	5405 Griggs Road #1	664-1006/741-0887
Hannah Chow Campaign	4711 San Jacinto	526-1439
Harold Dutton Campaign	4223 Lyons	674-2005
El Franco Lee Campaign	4118 Fannin	521-0057
David Jones Campaign	320 Main, Suite 200	223-2678
Paul Colbert Campaign	11210 S. Post Oak #B	728-3192
Barbara Stanley Campaign	4741 Kingfisher	729-1793
Sharolyn Wood Campaign	500 Binz Bldg., 1001 Texas	223-0888
Marc Hill Campaign	10930 East Freeway	451-8197
Herb Ritchie Campaign	3407 Montrose #205	521-9216
Alice Trevathan Campaign	1018 Preston, 2nd Floor	524-1686
Peter Solito Campaign	3219 Ella Lee Lane	529-8375
Doug O'Brien Campaign	3100 Wesleyan #369	961-4641
Elinor Walters Campaign	2009 Willow Wisp/Seabrook	474-5074
Bob Burdette Campaign	403 Caroline, 2nd Floor	783-0827
Jay Burnett Campaign	909 Marshall	783-8426
A.B. Chambers Campaign	4123 Dacca Drive	734-1348

Mini-Jam Sunday

Gay Houstonians will have an unusual opportunity to talk with the candidates at a Mini-Jam noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 29, in the 1000 block of California (same location as GPC's Montrose Jam).

The Mini-Jam will feature cold beer, a variety of live music and GPC-endorsed candidates in the May 5 Democratic and Republican primaries.

Other community organizations have

been asked to participate.

Those who didn't register to vote in time for the May 5 primaries will be able to register at the Mini-Jam for the June 2 runoff elections and the November general election.

A GPC garage sale is planned as part of the festivities. So if you have an item to donate, drop by Montrose Hair Design (David Fowler), 1004 California.

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greatest. Because most voters don't bother to vote all the way down the ballot, GPC's bloc vote may be 30 percent in these races. Percentages, of course, become meaningless without a heavy gay turnout year after year. As any politician will admit, it's GPC's bloc vote that counts.

California governor Deukmejian's recent veto of that state's anti-discrimina-

tion bill was a painful reminder that equal rights and gay rights won't be the same thing for many gay Americans for a long time. The formula for hastening such a day has been clear for about a decade: Support progressive candidates and gay organizations with volunteer hours and money. And vote as if your rights depended on it.

Open Letter to the Gay Community

Like a lot of people, we're pretty busy. There are many things we'd rather do than ask people for money. Lobbying down at City Hall or screening political candidates, for instance. But you do what you have to do.

To do what it has to do, GPC needs money. This slick-looking newsletter may make GPC look rich, but the ads barely paid for the \$5,000 printing and mailing cost and the endorsement cards for the May 5 primaries. It's frustrating when GPC board members have to say no to spending \$200 for Vote the GPC Slate Endorsement posters for bars because we just don't have the money. Someday we'd love to be able to afford endorsement ads in the Post and Chronicle so many more gay voters and our supporters will know what candidates we support.

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President's report

As the gay community of Houston enters another political season, we should all reflect on the great strides that have been made in the past year, and on the enormous amount of work yet to be done. 1983 was the year the gay community developed closer relationships with elected officials. We began to sit face to face at the bargaining table—not to talk politely about the weather or the mayor's business suits, but to discuss real issues affecting the community.

We gained an important voice by placing gay women and men on the Police Advisory Committee, a forum that is becoming increasingly important as we struggle to counteract continuing police abuse and harassment. We see our representation in the PAC as a way to influence positive changes in HPD.

As the political arm of the KS/AIDS Foundation, we supported the foundation's dialogue with City Hall and the new city health director. In a community devastated by the deaths of so many friends, we must all help smooth the path for those providing the necessary documentation and funding for the care of people with AIDS.

We have begun the process of eliminating painful struggles between our own organizations, and we are now working together, as a united front, to hold our elected officials to their promises. We are coming slowly, but surely, into our own.

1984 will see many positive changes for

lesbian and gay citizens of Houston: We are working to achieve Houston's first solid anti-discrimination in employment protection; we are beginning a process we hope will eventually outlaw discrimination against gays in housing; we are working more closely with Republican leaders to increase gay participation in the political process; we continue to hold our Democratic officials responsible for their commitments and their party platform, which includes the right to dignity and freedom for all gay men and women.

The candidates we endorse this year can make a significant difference in the quality of our lives for many years to come. We have the opportunity to elect a United States senator who is an advocate for our issues and who will stand firmly with us for our civil rights in Washington. We will elect a county sheriff and district attorney who have sworn to correct the many abuses suffered by countless men and women who pass through our corrections system. We will re-elect friends who have served us well in Austin and across the state, both in the Legislature and on the bench—friends who can prevent the passage of anti-gay legislation.

Your hard work, your donations and your votes will make 1984 an exciting and rewarding year. Please vote on May 5.

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Just fill out the form below, send GPC a signed deposit slip and check the monthly amount—as little as \$5 or \$10—and that amount is automatically deducted about the 5th of every month.

There are about 50 members on the pledge program. That's 50 out of 500 members and 12,000 on the mailing list. The pledge program pays about half the monthly bills, with new and renewal memberships making up some of the difference. Just a few more small pledge memberships and we wouldn't have to worry about the monthly bills. Annual memberships and donations would also ease our minds.

It's simple. GPC volunteers could spend a lot more time getting their real political work done if they didn't have to spend half their time raising money. Give up a few drinks or a movie a month for GPC, and we'll give you a stronger GPC.

RAY HILL
 Political committee director

SUE LOVELL
 GPC vice president

Last Name		First	Middle
Street Address			
City	State	Zip	Phone
☐ Pledge program at _____ per month			
☐ \$15 GPC membership		Mail to:	
☐ \$25 GPC/National Gay Task Force		GPC	
☐ Mailing list		P.O. BOX 66664	
		Houston, TX 77266	

Elect Johnny Klevenhagen



The Klevenhagen Family
J.J. - Carolyn - Johnny - Kara

FOR A FULL-TIME SHERIFF

- 20 Years Law Enforcement Experience with Harris County Sheriff's Dept., Retired at Rank of Major
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration, University of Houston
- Masters Degree, Sam Houston University
- Graduate of National Institute of Corrections
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GPC moves office, sets up campaign central

The Gay Political Caucus has opened its new office at 3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 914.

Formerly located at 4600 Main, the Caucus office is the site of many activities during the political season, including screening of candidates and volunteer work for campaigns. The Board of Directors voted to move the office into Montrose to provide better access to the many members and organizations who use the space frequently.

Known as "the building with Cody's on top," the new location provides ample covered park-

ing and security along with the use of the building's conference rooms.

The Caucus will continue to hold its general meetings at the Holiday Inn Central, 4640 Main, on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Board meetings are scheduled the Tuesday before the first Wednesday meeting at the GPC office, 3400 Montrose.

The GPC mailing address and telephone number will remain the same. Mail should be addressed to P.O. Box 66664, Houston, Texas, 77266. The telephone number for the GPC office is (713) 521-1000.

Spare a few hours on Tuesday, May 5?

If you can hand out GPC endorsement cards, a particular candidate's campaign literature or run all sorts of errands GPC needs you on election day.

Caucus members have traditionally gotten up early to put out candidates' signs at polls, then handed out endorsement cards in the Montrose precincts. Volunteers are also needed to answer the phone at the GPC office and help people with voting problems.

If you'd like to help for a few hours, call the GPC office at 521-1000 and leave your name and number.

Guttman leads new board

Gay Political Caucus begins another political season with new officers and four new members.

Officers elected at the February 15 meeting were President Norman Guttman, Vice President Sue Lovell, Treasurer Greg Clipp, and Secretary Deborah Squires.

New board members elected at the meeting were Eric Chiarizio, Tom Coleman and Leslie Larson. Jack Valinski was re-elected to the board.

Board members whose terms have not expired are Dale Beverly, board chair Annise Parker and a board member who asked not to be named.

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Hannah Chow's candidacy for Judge of County Civil Court at Law Number 3 is a first for Texas' Democratic Party, Texas' judicial system, and another of many firsts for Hannah.

Hannah Chow is the first Chinese woman to be admitted to the Texas Bar and the first Oriental to seek elective office in Texas.

Admitted to the Texas Bar in 1975, Hannah's ability as an attorney has earned the professional respect and admiration of Houston's legal community. Admirers among her peers agree that Hannah is an excellent choice for Judge.

Hannah Chow was born near Canton, China and moved to Houston in 1961. She is a graduate of Milby High School, the University of Houston and the South Texas College of Law.

Hannah is a practicing attorney in the law offices of Jimmie F. Y. Lee; legal counsel to the Council of Asian American Organizations and the Asian Community Support Services Center. She is an active member of the Houston Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, and the American Bar Association.

Your vote for Hannah Chow in the Democratic Primary, May 5th, will help nominate a respected, highly qualified jurist; a credit to the Party Ticket in November, and ultimately, an outstanding County Court Judge.

Hannah Chow Endorsements

Gay Political Caucus
Jewish Herald Voice
Harris County
Hispanic Caucus
Council of Asian American
Organizations
Southwest Chinese
Journal

HANNAH
CHOW

FOR JUDGE, COUNTY CIVIL COURT NO. 3

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Check now for blue voting card

BY DALE BEVERLY

Check your purses and wallets. If you don't have a *blue* card from Carl Smith, our very own county tax assessor-collector, then you may not be eligible to vote in the May 5 Democratic and Republican primaries.

If you moved out of your precinct in the past 90 days, did not vote in the November 1983 city elections or are voting for the first time, you must have mailed in a voter registration card by April 5.

If you've lost your card or have any questions about your eligibility, call Madeline Clauder, the supervisor of the Voter Registration Department for Harris County, at 224-1919. She has a wonderful sense of humor (besides being a very dedicated civil employee) and will help you out of the muddle.

If you're sure you're eligible, but don't have a blue card, just take your driver's license to your voting place and they will check your name on the precinct list so you can vote.

There's still time to register to vote for the June 2 runoffs, which will almost certainly include the U.S. Senate races and other races. You may register for the runoff until May 3.

Registering is simple and quick:

Voter registration applications can be found at all branches of the Houston Public Library and the 10 branch offices of the county tax assessor-collector

OR

You can request a voter registration application from groups such as the League of Women Voters and member unions of the AFL-CIO.

OR

You may vote absentee in the May 5 primaries if:

- 1) You sign a form saying you will be out of the county May 5 or have a physical disability that prevents you from voting at your polling place.
- 2) You are over 65.

Physically impaired persons, senior citizens and Harris County residents who will be absent from the county April 16-May 5 may cast absentee ballots by mail. You may call the Harris County Clerk's Office at 221-6411 or the GPC office at 521-1000 to request an absentee ballot application. The actual ballot will then be mailed to you. All mailed absentee ballots must be received by the county on or before May 1.

For those voters who will be out of the county on May 5 and are not eligible to vote by mail, you can cast an absentee ballot between April 16 and May 1 at the County Records Building, 49 San Jacinto Street at Commerce. Balloting will take place Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On April 28 and 29, Saturday and Sunday, absentee voting will also be conducted.

Absentee voting polling places:

Justice Precinct 2

Courthouse Annex 4
109 E. Shaw, Pasadena

Justice Precinct 3

Courthouse Annex 8, 701 W. Baker Road, Baytown and

San Jacinto College, North Campus
5800 Uvalde

Justice Precinct 4

Courthouse Annex 17
6831 Cypresswood, Spring and

Courthouse Annex 3
121 W. Main, Humble

Justice Precinct 5

Westside Service Center
16330 Clay Road

and

Bayland Park Meeting Room, 6400 Bissonnet

Justice Precinct 6

Courthouse Annex 9
1001 Macario Garcia Dr.

Justice Precinct 7

Courthouse Annex 14
5737 Cullen

Justice Precinct 8

Courthouse Annex 10
16603 Buccaneer and

Pasadena City Hall
1211 E. Southmore, Pasadena

Lloyd Doggett

Voting Calendar

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April 16 — Absentee voting begins

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Polls open 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

At 7 p.m., return to your polling place to attend Democratic and Republican precinct conventions.



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OR

You can fill out a voter registration application at Room 200 of the Harris County Administration Building downtown at 1001 Preston.

BRANCH OFFICES

Baytown	701 W. Baker, Baytown
Bellaire	6000 Chimney Rock
Clay Road	16402 Clay Rd.
Clear Lake	16603 Buccaneer Ln.
Cullen	5737 Cullen
Cypresswood	6831 Cypresswood, Spring
Humble	121 W. Main, Humble
Pasadena	101 S. Main, Pasadena
Tomball	401 Market, Tomball
Uvalde	13511-A East Freeway

Voting questions? call 521-1000

If you have any questions about voting on May 5, call the GPC office at 521-1000. Volunteers will be answering the phone throughout election day to help you with any voting problems, including forgetting where your precinct votes.

Before the election and on election day, you can also call the County Voter Registration office at 224-1919.

On election day, information may also be obtained from candidates' campaign headquarters, some of which will also offer rides to the polls.

Voters may also contact the Democratic County headquarters (523-9297) or the Republican County office (522-1005).

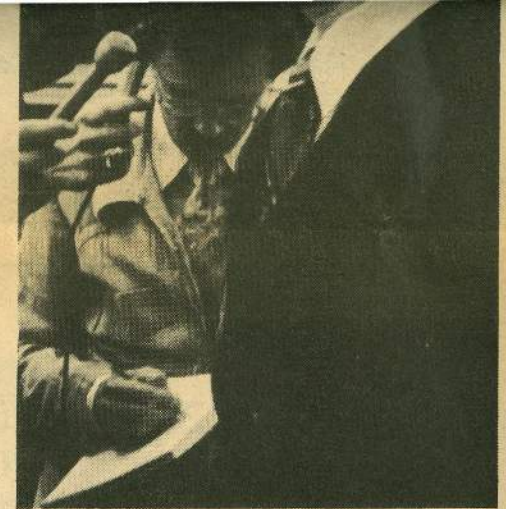
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Voter registration application

Mail this card to:
 Carl S. Smith, tax assessor-collector
 Registrar of Voters, Harris County
 P.O. Box 3527
 Houston, TX 77253-9974

VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION (SOLICITUD PARA REGISTRO DE VOTANTE)						OFFICIAL USE ONLY (SOLAMENTE PARA USO OFICIAL)	
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THE APPLICANT IS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES AND A RESIDENT OF THIS COUNTY. I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS CORRECT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE GIVING OF FALSE INFORMATION TO PROCURE THE REGISTRATION OF A VOTER IS A FELONY. (El solicitante es ciudadano estadounidense y residente de este condado. Afirmando que la informacion proporcionada es verdadera. Comprendo que es una felonía de proporcionar informacion falsa para tratar registracion de votante.) X SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (OR AGENT) (FIRMA DE SOLICITANTE O AGENTE) FOR WITNESS (PARA TESTIGO) If the applicant is unable to sign his name, he shall make his mark in the presence of a witness. If the applicant is unable to make his mark, the witness shall state that fact on the application. (Si el solicitante no puede firmar su nombre, debe hacer su marca en la presencia de un testigo. Si el solicitante no puede hacer su marca, el testigo debe declarar la razon sobre la solicitud.) Signature and address of witness: (Firma y direccion del testigo.) FOR AGENT: (PARA AGENTE) Application may be by agent who must be a qualified voter of this country and must be the applicant's husband, wife, father, mother, son or daughter. (La solicitud puede efectuarse con la ayuda de un votante calificado en el condado que sea uno de los siguientes: esposo, esposa, padre, madre, hijo, o hija.) I AM THE _____ OF THE APPLICANT. (Yo soy el/ella) (relationship) (relacion) (del solicitante)							

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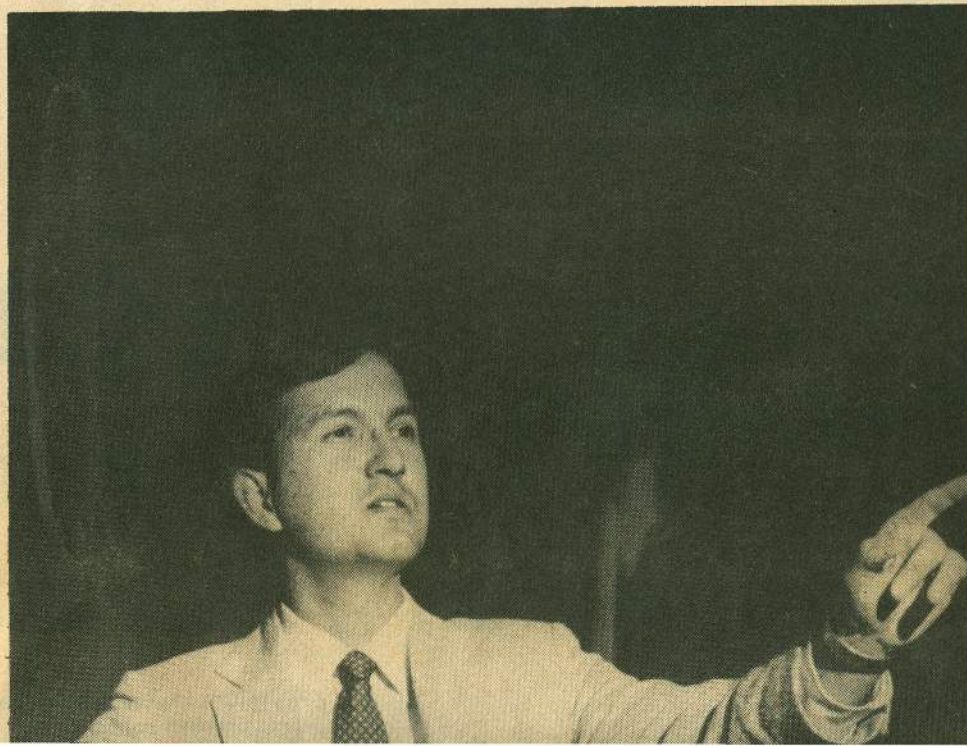
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16	166	544/545
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The proof is in the bloc vote

BY RAY HILL

Gay Political Caucus began nine years ago, and its process has undergone continuous evolution. But the basic principle of our political involvement has not changed. We deliver a bloc vote to the candidates we endorse. There are other ways to approach the political process. An elite few could decide who to support, raise money, and give it to candidates to advertise for gay and lesbian support. That system works well in Los Angeles. Or we could use the San Francisco plan and organize a dozen different groups, each endorsing opposing candidates and canceling each other out.

Our bloc vote system is the most cost-effective of the various approaches. But it

also requires more work. The process must have the trust of those on the mailing list and, ultimately, the entire community. (That is why elsewhere in this tabloid our process is explained in detail.) Decisions are not made by a few people. Anyone who cares enough to join the caucus and attend meetings may participate and have input. No candidate is endorsed without going through the entire process. The entire caucus ultimately decides who is endorsed.

A GPC endorsement may deliver 20,000 votes in a major race. But we have learned that our voters, like others, tend to vote in the highly publicized races and skip those at the bottom of the ballot. In a dull elec-

tion campaign, many of our voters do not even go to the polls. We could probably afford those lapses in diligence if we had already accomplished all our political goals. But we have not.

In 1984 we are facing some heavy political opposition. We must choose carefully among the available candidates for sheriff of Harris County. As long as the police arrest us at random and force many of us into the criminal justice system, the sheriff's race is of paramount importance, as is the district attorney's race and every judge's race in Harris County and Texas.

If we turn out in large numbers and vote in every endorsed race, we will be 15-20 percent of the vote in the DA and sheriff's

races and even more in judges races. If we quibble and quarrel or stay at home on election day, some of us will suffer, and all of us will lose over the next four years. Our bloc vote could do for the Harris County courthouse what it has done for city hall, if we exercise our full strength.

This is not the time to tire or weaken. Our friends in the Legislature need our support against those who would make us criminals once again. The judges you and your friends may stand before will probably be chosen by a GPC endorsement.

Plan now to vote. Take your friends. Discuss the election with your co-workers and your family. Gay Political Caucus makes it easy, but you make it happen. Bloc vote May 5.

Panels screen; caucus endorses

Some of us have forfeited every evening and weekend for three weeks to listen to what each candidate had to say about a broad range of issues. Gay Political Caucus needs this effort so it can select endorsed candidates on the basis of knowing what to expect once our candidates take office.

Every candidate seeking our endorsement has submitted a signed, written questionnaire which asks specific questions about their campaign structure, support, whether they have worked with the gay community in the past, their position on anti-gay legislation and their willingness to be open about our support and work openly for us in the future.

Candidates then screen with a panel of GPC members, usually the first five to volunteer. During this hour-long session, specific questions are asked about the issues important to the caucus. Each of the panel members scores the candidate independently. The results are tabulated and the aggregate score averaged for a percentage that can be compared to that of other candidates in that race.

In an effort to determine the honesty and integrity of judicial candidates, a group of practicing attorneys meets and discusses their courtroom experiences with the judges, as well as with their peers seeking to become judges. This lawyers panel makes recommendations on professional ability and provides background

on whether judges actually practice what they preach in their screenings.

The results of all these interviews come together when the screening committee meets to vote on endorsement recommendations to be submitted to the entire caucus. The committee is composed of panel members who have screened at least three candidates. Here the process becomes more than just a numbers game. A screeners' impressions of the candidate are weighed. Estimates of relative electability and candor are considered, as well as insights provided by the lawyers panel. This meeting sometimes becomes a marathon session, especially as candidates seeking our endorsement become more informed and harder to choose between.

The candidates have a final chance to sway the caucus vote on endorsement night. They are invited to address the full body for one minute each with print and electronic media present. The meeting room is then cleared of all non-members. (Although visitors may join at that time and attend the rest of the meeting, they can't vote for 30 days.) Each race is considered individually. Scores are presented for all candidates in that race and the screening committee recommendation is read. In the past, the full caucus has disagreed with the screening committee recommendation about 25 percent of the time. The final choice is made by a democratic vote of the caucus.

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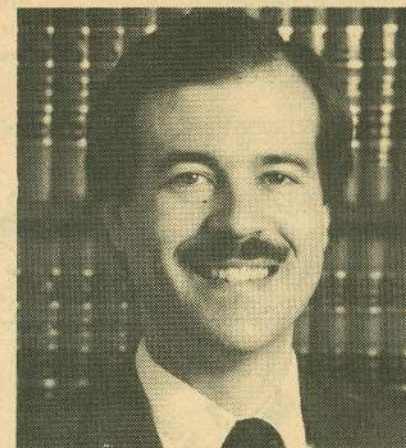


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A report from the chair of the board

For the last election newsletter, I wrote about women in the caucus, women in politics, and coalition building. I wrote to encourage more women to participate in GPC. Perhaps I shouldn't have been surprised to find those in the community who are offended by the idea of GPC as a feminist organization. Would that it were. GPC is an organization with a majority of its membership committed to feminism, minority rights and coalition politics. Only as long as that majority participates and votes will the caucus wobble steadfastly toward those goals. Only as long as organizations like GPC promote such goals will the gay community be drawn forward in their wake.

We are complacent. The gay movement has taken us far, but perhaps so fast that we forget others who have risen out of the same morass of discrimination. We can't afford to slow our growth, but the beauty of new leaves shouldn't blind us to the needs of our roots. Every time a gay bar refuses to admit a woman or a person of color, the community is injured. Every time a lesbian dismisses AIDS as a "men's problem," we are all diminished. Every time a gay activist puts power brokering before civil rights the gay movement suffers.

The board of GPC has ideas about where this caucus should be going and how it should be getting there. We may not agree on much more than the general themes expressed earlier, but we work at it. What we need is this entire community working with us, through us, beside us. This is where we are:

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GPC board members, as well as several attorneys and arrest victims, heard the first public admissions (later recanted) of a police "faggot file." This meeting gave a voice to impassioned statements by those most involved and set the stage for the later meeting organized by George Greanias. GPC will work for a unified response to police abuse, and members are active in the ongoing process of documentation.

We will not be satisfied with tacit, passive support from elected officials. They must work with us in our community and stand with us before the media. We've laid a good foundation, and it's time to build. George Greanias credits the gay community with winning his first city council race. Mayor Whitmire has told GPC that gays were not particularly important in her first mayoral win. Granted, our strength is not as apparent in citywide races. But it is there. Our goal is to make every candidate aware of it, but also to make each officeholder indebted to it. The bloc vote is our most important tool.

GPC will meet regularly with Whitmire and our city council members. Meetings on the eve of a crisis, or in the aftermath of one, are useful and important. Regular meetings to prevent such crises are the next step in maximizing our influence downtown. In the past, GPC representation at meetings was often limited to the president, vice president and political coordinator. Future meetings, like the past several meetings at City Hall, will include the full board.

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When unhampered by community strife, we can be strikingly effective. After January's bar raids, we called Chief Lee Brown directly and demanded an immediate meeting with his vice officers. Four

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GPC is getting older and better. There has been no better time to be a part of it.

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"I see no reason that violence based upon prejudice should not be considered as a civil rights violation, whether that prejudice is based upon race, religion, or sexual orientation. Furthermore, such violence should be subjected to a vigorous prosecution under our criminal statutes.

"I will work to eliminate those provisions in the immigration laws that are used to exclude lesbians and gay men from entering the U. S. Sexual orientation should have no bearing on immigration.

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts,
Political Science, 1970 (cum laude)
University of Houston, Houston, Texas
Doctor of Jurisprudence, 1972
University of Houston College of Law

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Judge, 339th Criminal District Court,
Houston, Texas
September 1983 to present

Chief, Civil Rights Division,
U.S. Attorney's Office, Houston, Texas
October 1980 to August 1983

Adjunct Professor of Law,
University of Houston Law Center,
1975, 1982-84

Special Assistant to the Attorney General,
Washington, D.C.,
October 1979 to October 1980

Assistant United States Attorney
Houston, Texas,
October 1977 to October 1979

Lead Prosecutor in the Randy Webster
Throw-Down Gun Case
1978-1979

Assistant District Attorney
for Harris County
July 1974 to October 1977

Civil Rights Attorney, MALDEF,
San Antonio, Texas
June 1972 to June 1974

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

President, Mexican-American Bar
Association of Houston (MABAH) 1981-82
Member, State Bar of Texas, Federal
Judiciary Appointments Committee
1980-present

Director, University of Houston
Law Alumni Board
1982-84

Member, Hispanic Task Force,
Boy Scouts of America
1982-present

Coach,
St. Thomas More Youth Basketball
1982-84

Director,
Texas Young Lawyers Association
1978-79

Author of several articles in
Law Reviews and Journals

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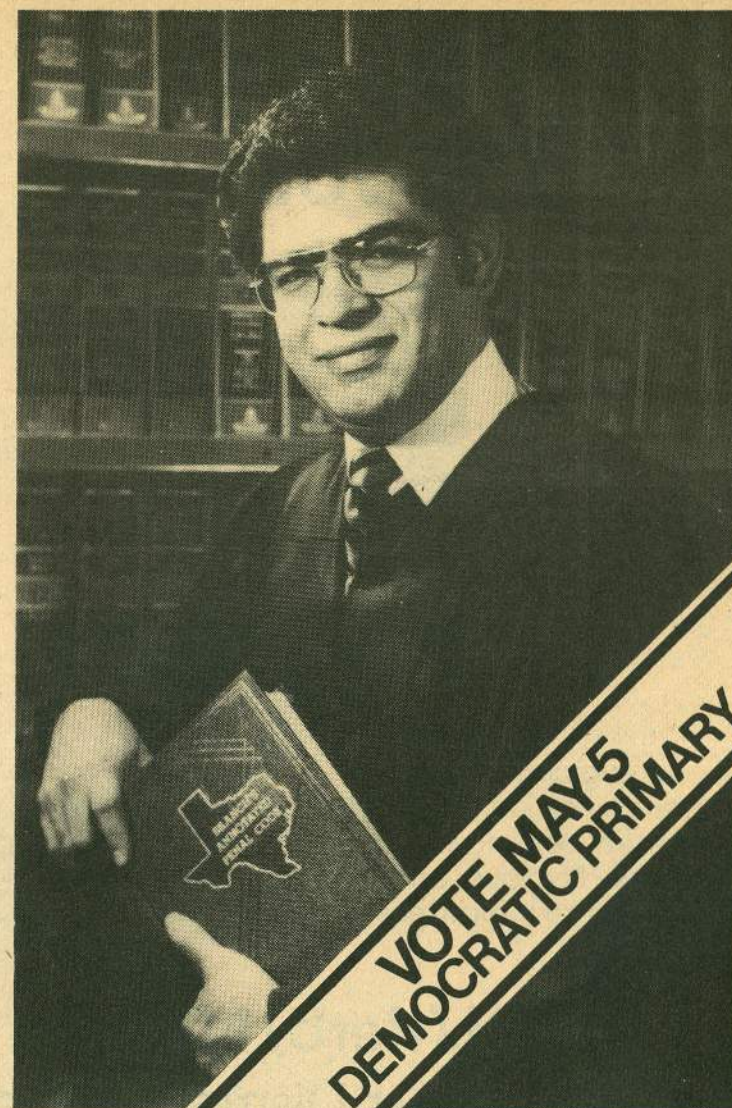
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H.C. Democrats
H.C. Mexican American Democrats
Houston Baptist Pastors and
Ministers Fellowship (Rev. F.N. Williams)
Houston Professional
Firefighters Ass'n. PAC
Houston Lawyers Ass'n.
Jewish Herald Voice
Mexican American Bar Association
Northside Citizens
for Good Government
Pasadena Bar Ass'n.
Teamsters-Locals #988 and #968

INDIVIDUAL ENDORSEMENTS

Mickey Leland,
U.S. Congressman
Craig Washington,
State Senator
John Whitmire,
State Senator
Rodney Ellis,
City Council Member
Ben Reyes,
City Council Member
Debra Danburg,
State Representative
Larry Evans,
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Roman Martinez,
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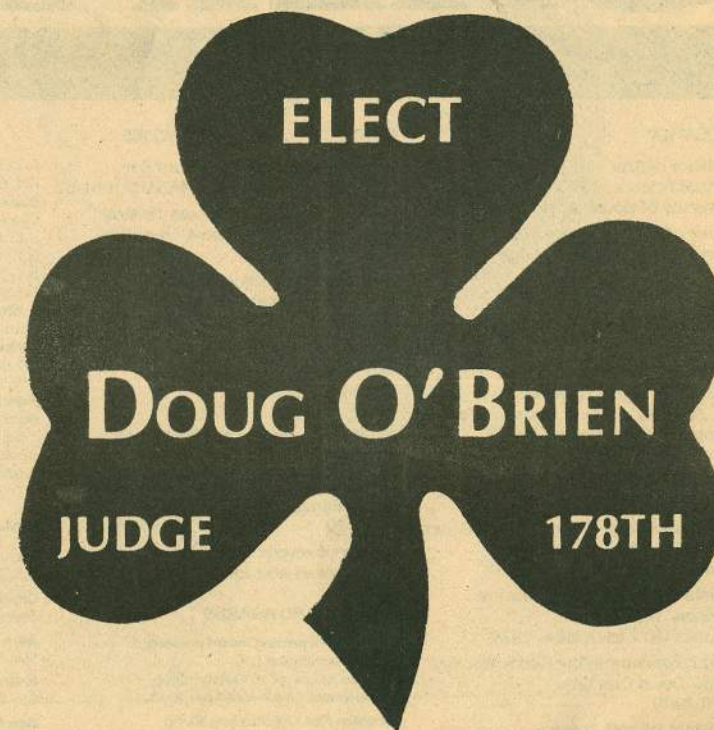
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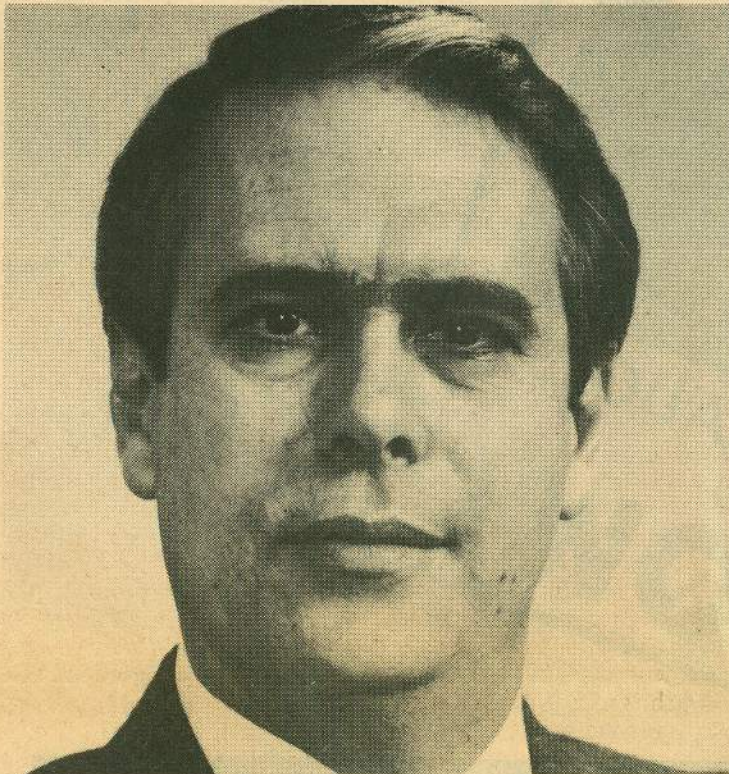
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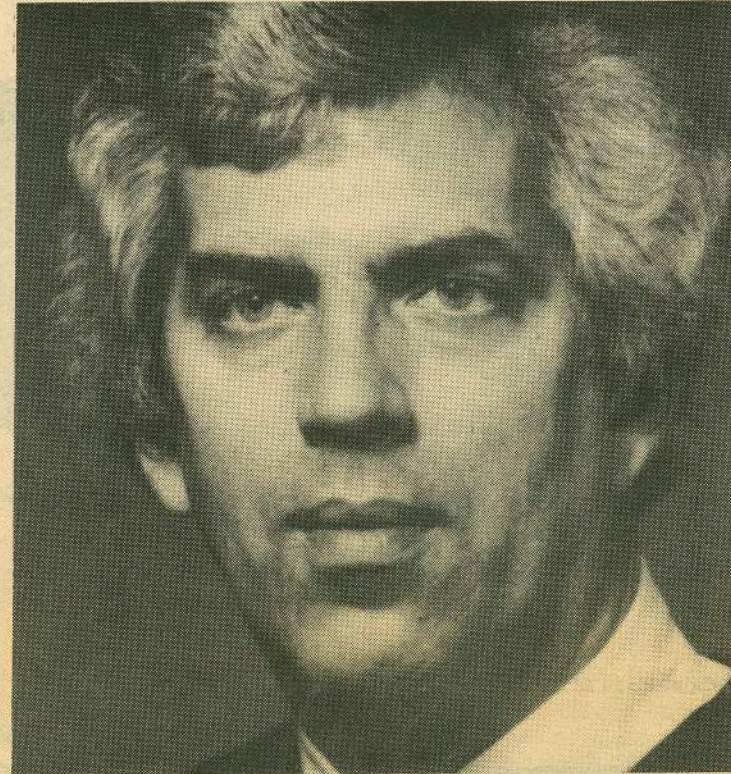
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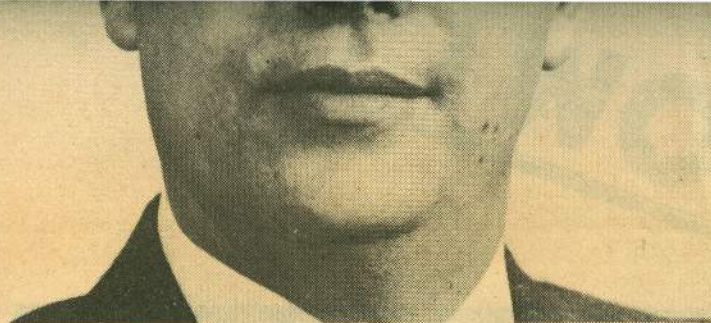
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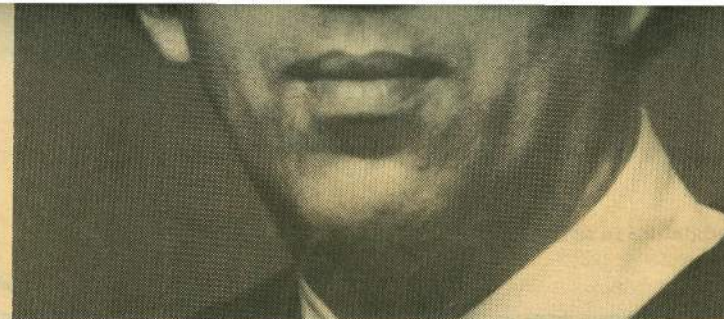
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Delegate fever strikes Democratic committee

The Democratic Committee of GPC is working to elect as many gay delegates as possible to senatorial district, state and the national conventions.

At a meeting in early March, about 50 gay Democrats agreed to organize precincts, putting each senatorial district under a coordinator, with a county coordinator ultimately responsible for the effort.

Those present at the first meeting also learned about the delegate process from two Democratic veterans, State Democratic Chair Bob Slagle and Billie Carr, a Houstonian who serves on the National Democratic Executive Committee.

Democrats also collected \$250 to affiliate with the National Association of Gay

Democratic Clubs, which will meet at the national convention. The \$250 entitles the committee to the maximum 10 votes.

A screening panel of Democrats met March 26 to screen Barbara Stanley and Tody Dupont, two candidates for Harris County Democratic chair. At an April 2 meeting, the panel voted to recommend Stanley for endorsement by the full caucus, a recommendation which was approved at the April 4 GPC meeting.

A final strategy meeting to maximize the precinct convention delegate count is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. May 3, two days before the May 5 primary and precinct meetings. The meeting place will be announced in the gay press.

Republican committee urges greater participation

This month members of the Republican Committee of GPC met to discuss and evaluate GOP strategy. Areas targeted for action include precinct organization, support for caucus-endorsed candidates and party resolutions.

Although the names of delegate candidates will appear on Republican ballots, gay Republicans are urged to attend precinct conventions, take friends and try to get elected as write-ins.

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The road to San Francisco begins in your precinct

How appropriate that this year's National Democratic Convention will be in San Francisco. What better place for gay men and women to be officially accepted—for the second convention in a row—into the mainstream of the Democratic Party.

As many as possible of us should go to San Francisco as delegates, or as badly needed and hard-working 'observers'. Getting there begins with your precinct meeting May 5.

It's pretty easy to get elected to the district convention as a delegate from your precinct. It doesn't require political experience or knowing a lot of people.

Very briefly, here's how precinct meetings work:

1) Take several friends with you—gays, neighbors, anyone who will vote for you at the small gathering at your precinct polling place. The GPC precinct coordinator can supply you with some names in your precinct.

2) You must vote in the Saturday, May 5, Democratic Primary, or have voted absentee in person by May 1. Make sure you ask for proof that you voted when you vote. An election official will be glad to give you a receipt so you will be admitted to the precinct meeting.

3) Precinct meetings begin sharply at 7:15 p.m. at the same place you voted May 5. *Don't be late.*

4) Sign in. As you sign in the attendance roll, you must state your presidential preference or sign in uncommitted. It is important that your presidential preference or uncommitted group have at least 15 percent of those in attendance to ensure the group is eligible to elect delegates and alternates. The sign-in may involve a little strategy because of the Mondale-Hart race. It may be advisable to attend the May 3 GPC Democratic Committee meeting, or call 521-1000 for

elect a delegate in a small meeting. Of course, the more politically active the precinct, the more friends you should bring.

As for the senatorial district meeting:

By the time you've arrived for the May 19 senatorial district meeting you've learned more about the political process than 95 percent of the people. It is here that party regulars notice our numbers. The more gay delegates, openly gay to us, not necessarily to anyone else, the more delegates we elect to state.

Basically, getting elected to the state convention involves getting enough votes within your presidential or uncommitted caucus. Numerous GPC members will be present to help newcomers get elected.

While it will be difficult for political newcomers to be elected delegate to the national convention, the state meeting is a mini-national convention. Platforms are worked out; resolutions are passed; each of the major caucuses, including the gay caucus, meets throughout the convention, maneuvers on votes and hosts a hospitality suite.

Even if you're not a delegate to San Francisco July 16-19 just 'observing' can be fun and educational. There will be strategy meetings, errands and all sorts of work to keep you fascinated. And many observers will be able to get inside the hall to help organize.

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A reception to provide an opportunity for Republicans to meet their party candidates is also in the planning stages.

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Any interested person who would like to participate in this effort may contact Gregg Russell, committee coordinator, at 871-1735.

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5) Voting: The precinct chair will tell you how many delegates and alternates each group may elect. If, for example, your group gets 5 delegates, each person can vote 5 times. *Remember, all your votes may be cast for one person, including yourself.* This is how a handful of people

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If you want to see the democratic process in action by participating in your precinct convention, or if you have any questions, please call Jeffery Serman (523-5663) or Lee Harrington (526-1000). We are also seeking volunteers to work the phone bank for this project. To volunteer, call the GPC office (521-1000).

Moving?

GPC is nothing without its mailing list. The 12,000-plus mailing list multiplies into many more thousands of voters, and those are the numbers that count with elected officials.

So if you move or are planning to move, please call the GPC office at 521-1000 and leave a message. Each newsletter that is returned by the post office costs GPC 25 cents. For the last election newsletter, that added up to about \$400.

Election Central at Park IV

With the May 5 election falling on a Saturday, GPC will host a smaller Election Central this year.

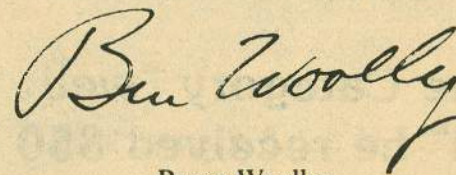
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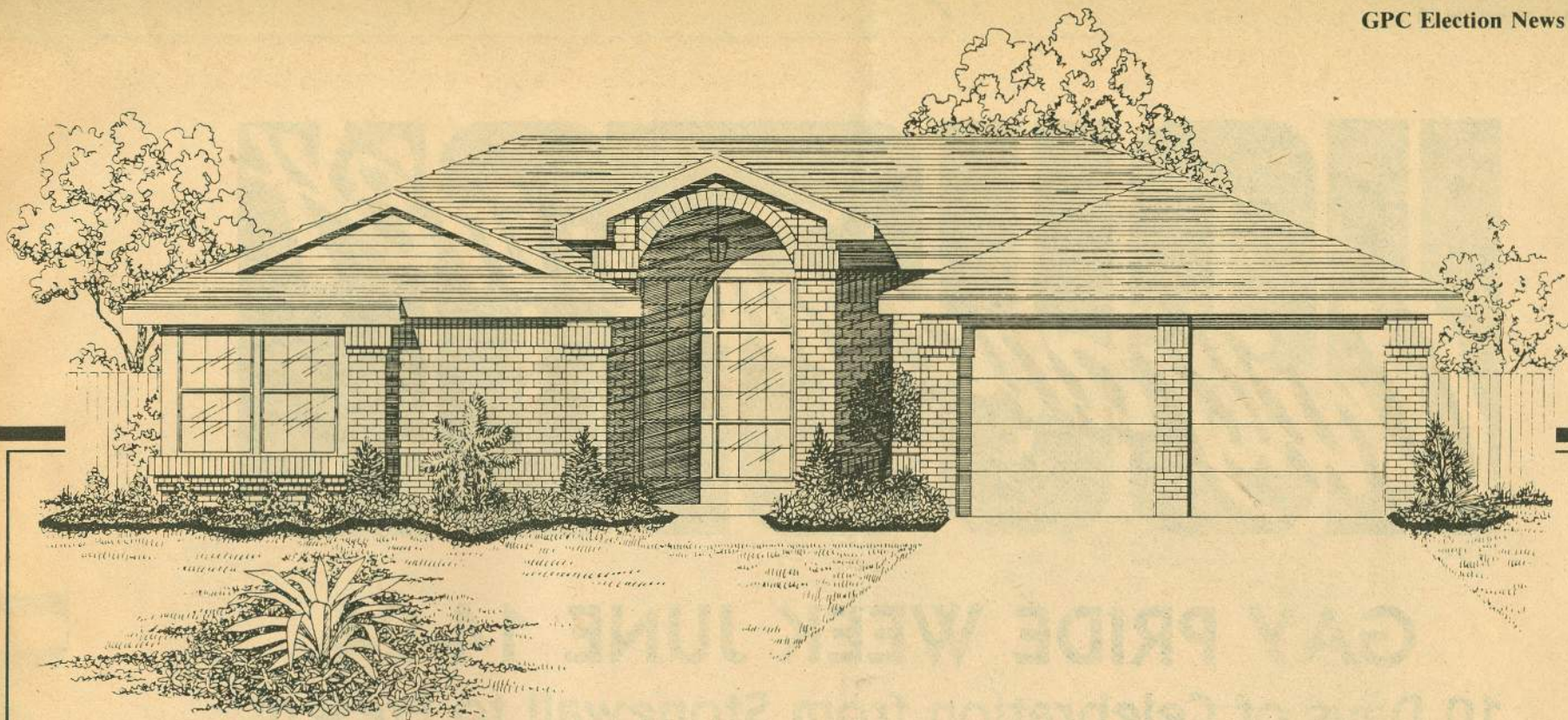
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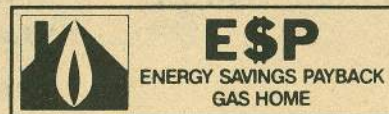
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