

Harris County Women's Political Caucus

P.O. Box 53116 Houston, Texas 77052

OCTOBER



1978

CAUCUS ENDORSEMENTS

U. S. Representative Dist. 8 - BOB ECKHARDT
U. S. Representative Dist. 18 - MICKEY LELAND

State Senator Dist. 11 CHET BROOKS

State Representative Dist 17 ED R. WATSON

State Representative Dist 78 ED EMMETT

State Representative Dist 79 RON WATERS

State Representative Dist 80 LANCE LALOR

State Representative Dist 84 HERMAN LAUHOFF

State Representative Dist 86 CRAIG WASHINGTON

State Representative Dist 87 BEN REYES

State Representative Dist 89 SENFRONIA THOMPSON

State Representative Dist 98 HENRY ALLEE

245th District Court HENRY SCHUBLE

246th District Court JOHN PEAVY

263rd District Court ROBERT BAUM

County Judge JOE PENTONY

County Commission Percint 4 CARL HUFF

TWPC STATEWIDE RACE ENDORSEMENTS

U. S. Senator BOB KRUEGER
Governor JOHN HILL
Lt. Governor BILL HOBBY
Agricultural Commissioner REAGAN V. BROWN
Land Commissioner BOB ARMSTRONG

MEMBERSHIP

Martha Williams, VICE CHAIR

HCWPC is getting six to eight new members a month-- primarily b the "friend bringing a friend" method. We don't want to let our current members fall by the wayside, however, SO DON't FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP for the next year between now and the end of December. You'll be getting a renewal notice in the mail and a return envelope too, so renewing will be easier than ever. At the State Caucus convention in Brownsville it was voted to increase State dues to \$10.00 therefore renewal dues and new member dues will be \$20.00 for local, state and national and they will be \$25.00 if you want the national newsletter.

Don't forget to renew. We need you.

Our hearty congratulations to the women that put out the "Houston Area Women's Center Line". The paper is very informative and very well put together. Their masthead by line "Dedicated to human dignity and individual growth" is inspiring to all of us. Sometimes we need to be reminded about where we are going and what we are doing.

The Houston Area Women's Center needs volunteers, please call 792-4403 and volunteer your time.

Women in Action's WIRES (Women's Information, Referral and Exchange Service) is conducting a training workshop. The volume of call now coming in to the office is necessitating almost a doubling of the volunteer staff for the phones. If you are interested please call Astrid Collins, WIRES volunteer coordinator, at WIA office 527-0718.

Our screening meeting on September 20th proved to be quite interesting. We had an opportunity to meet and question Jon Linday, Joe Pentony, Judge Jimmie Duncan, Jack Miles, Robert Baum, Anita Rodeheaver, Carl Huff, Mary Creasy, Hartsell Gray and Robert Hutchings for 10 minutes each. It is unfortunate that all but approximately 20 Caucus members missed this chance to learn something about the candidates to be considered for endorsement.

Mickey Leland was also present at the screening meeting. He was given time to clarify his position on affirmative action and answered questions concerning the September 10th Houston Post story that had troubled us.

On September 27th an overflow crowd attended the endorsement meeting. Consideration was given to 18 different races but the required 2/3 majority was only reached on 3 candidates. The new endorsements are:

Robert Baum, Civil District Court 263
Joe Pentony, County Judge
Carl Huff, County Commission Pct. #4

The vote was very close in two other races. Bob Gammage in Congressional District 22 and Antia Rodeheaver for the County Clerk race, fell a few votes short of the number needed for endorsement.

By a narrow margin the members present voted to keep the endorsement of Bob Eckhardt. By a unanimous decision voted to issue a censure of him for his vote against the ERA time extension.

The complete list of all candidates that we have endorsed for the November elections are on the front page of this newsletter.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 18 - Wednesday - Policy Council Meeting 7:30
945 Highland
- October 18 - Wednesday Volunteer Action Awards Luncheon
Galleria Plaza Hotel
11:30 a.m. \$7.00
- October 25 - Wednesday - Business & Program Meeting
First Unatarian Church
5210 Fannin 7:30
"A Varity of Hot Feminist Issues - Jo Stewart
- October 31 - Tuesday Women in Action Luncheon
Kaphan's - 7900 Main St.
12:30 \$10.00
Speaker: Frances Farenthold
- November 7 - Tuesday Election day - get out and vote

HCWPC
P. O. Box 53116
Houston, TX 77052

BULK RATE
U. S. Postage
PAID
Houston, TX
Permit No. 865

