

HCWPC

Harris County Women's Political Caucus
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NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER - 1975

The HCWPC NEWSLETTER'S Vice Chair-Internal, Helen Hopkins has resigned her position to run for PUBLIC OFFICE. HELEN HOPKINS is running for CITY COUNCIL WOMAN in District "E". She needs our help and support. Call Helen Hopkins at 644-3643 and volunteer to do our share for one of our Caucus members to represent us in City Council.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR

AAUW is planning to select an outstanding woman as Woman Of The Year. Nominations are to be submitted through your Chapter President. Deadline for nominations is September 12.

FEDERALLY EMPLOYED WOMEN SEMINAR

FEW is having a Seminar and the theme is "Equal Partners". It will be held on September 19 and 20 at the Johnson Spacecraft Center, Gilruth Facility. Registration is at 8:00 A.M., the 19th, the seminar is from 8:45 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., cost is \$9.00 one or both days. If interested call Mazell Lee, business phone 226-4827 and home phone 674-2321.

AUGUST 26 CELEBRATION

The celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment for Women' suffrage was a success. We would all like to thank the Northwest, Southwest, and Inner City NOW Chapters for their parts in the celebration. A special THANKS to everyone who took part in the Pageant of American Women presented by Southwest NOW.

HOUSTON AREA FEMINIST CREDIT UNION

The HAFFCU is to hire part time office workers. The light typing, telephoning, and supervision of volunteers will total twenty hours a week. Anyone interested should send a resume to:

Laura Oren
715 Fargo
Houston, Texas 77006

This resume should be send in by September 15, 1975. HAFFCU is requesting office supplies and equipment, in preparation for the opening of the Credit Union Office. If anyone has a donation, please contact Ms. Meryl Leatherman at 522-2454.

HAFFCU has gotten its Charter. The Credit Union Office will be located at 2418 Travis.

THE COMING ELECTIONS

The Lobbying and Candidate Rating Committee met in June, 1975, and proposed questions for the questionnaires to be sent to all the candidates of the forth coming General Election which will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 1975.

It is the consensus of the Committee and the Policy Council that the Caucus not endorse any candidates who do not return their questionnaires to the Caucus.

The final endorsement will be released no later than October 13, 1975.

The Caucus will base its endorsements on the candidates' presentation, questionnaire, and voting records, etc.

The questionnaires will be rated by the Committee and the results reported to the Caucus. On these dates, all members of the Caucus are urged to attend.

The Policy Council and the Candidate Rating Committee agreed to also give negative endorsements to be released to the Press several days after the endorsements are announced.

The candidates are invited to attend program meeting on candidate screening at 7:30 P.M., Pacific Room, University of Houston, Student Center, on Wedesday, September 24, 1975.

**** TYPING COURTESY OF MRS. OLGA C. GAUT ****

EDITOR'S NOTE: Any errors, misquotes, left out, or in facsimile, please address yourself to Mrs. Olga Y. Soliz.

FEMINIST LAW OFFICE

Jo Ann Gerhardt and Patricia Ann O'Kane have opened a Feminist Law Office at 201 Main Street, Suite 636, Phone 237-9867.

JOAN HANLON

Joan Hanlon has filed for Position 3 Spring Branch School Board - Election Day is Saturday, October 4 - A WOMAN HAS NEVER SERVED ON THE SPRING BRANCH SCHOOL BOARD. She needs your VOTE and your HELP. Please call Joan Hanlon at 468-1585 or call Judy Walker at 462-6819.

CHICANA CAUCUS

Gloria Guardiola - Chair

The Chicana Caucus will meet this month, September 17th, 1975 at the home of Gloria Guardiola, at 7:30 P.M., 2507 Richton, 524-2724, to select names of Chicanas for A.A.U.W.

To act upon resolutions passed by the Minority Workshop concerning Chicana appointments to Commissions and Boards.

To act on a Fund Raiser for the CAUCUS.

APPOINTMENTS

Helen Copitka was appointed to the Board of Parole Commissioners. She is the first woman, appointed to this position. Helen was endorsed by various Feminist groups and many organizations. She was sworn in by Judge Joe Greenhill, on Monday, September 1st, 1975, in Austin, Texas.

Helen Copitka, a Caucus member and a Feminist, thanks all for the letter writing and support.

HOPE FOR AN APPOINTMENT

Gertrude Barnstone is seeking your support for a seat on the Board of Regents on the University of Houston, Houston, Texas. Governor Briscoe is the person to write requesting - He name Ms. Barnstone to this position. At the last Policy Caucus meeting HWPC endorsed Barnstone. It has also been said the State Caucus will endorse her. PASO (Political Association for Spanish Organization) has endorsed Barnstone.

YOU'VE CHANGED?????

You've changed your Name, your Address? Please make certain you receive your NEWSLETTER each time by keeping your address current.

Help the HARRIS COUNTY CAUCUS grow by sending names of friends and other projective members to Membership Chair. THANK YOU.

Call or Write: Margaret Buchorn, 8122 Mobud, Houston, Texas, 70036, Phone 772-1592 or 792-3216.

*****QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CAUCUS? - CALL & ASK*****

Chair: Sharon Macha, 723-7416, 688-0231
CoChair: Pamela Pitt, 523-9647
Vice-Chair Internal: Helen Hopkins, 644-3643
Vice-Chair External: Brenda Rotramble, 433-4660
Secretary: Donna Duerk, 749-4187, 664-8682
Treasurer: Diana Freeland, 528-5848

We invite you to become a member of the Harris County Women's Political Caucus. For your convenience, there is a membership form below.

CLIP & MAIL FORM TO: MEMBERSHIP, HCWPC, 3602 MILAM, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: HCWPC.

NAME _____ PCT.No. _____

ADDRESS & CITY _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ OFFICE PHONE _____

Enclosed is \$12.50 - State (TWPC) & Local (HCWPC) membership through all of 1975.

Enclosed is \$17.50 - National (NWPC), State (TWPC) & Local (HCWPC) membership for all of 1975.

Enclosed is \$7.50 I need to waive \$5.00 of my 1975 State dues.

I need to waive all dues. Attached statement gives my reason.

I am interested in the following committees: Funding; Political Action; Affirmative Action; Lobbying and Candidate Rating; Sexuality and reproduction; Membership.

Send HCWPC information to the following names.) (Please enclose \$0.30 or three 10¢ stamps for each to cover the cost of sending three newsletters, if possible.) (Show Zip)

Name _____ Address _____

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sept. 12, 1975 - - - - - Deadline Nominations for "Woman
of the Year"
- Sept. 15, 1975 - - - - - Houston Area Feminist Credit Union
Employment Applications
- Sept. 19-20, 1975 - - - - - Federally Employed Women Seminar
8:45 A.M.- 4:30 P.M.
Johnson Spacecraft Center
- Sept. 21, 1975 - - - - - TWPC Council Meeting -
10:00 A.M. Sunday, Austin, Texas
Contact Sharon Macha
723-7416 or 688-0231
- Sept. 24, 1975 - - - - - HWPC Program Meeting
Candidate Rating Committee
7:30 P.M. - Wednesday
Pacific Room, University of Houston
Student Center
- Sept. 25, 1975- - - - - WEAL Meeting - Thursday
8:00 P.M. For location
Contact Pamela O. Pitt
683-8411
- Oct. 5, 1975 - - - - - Old Fashion Political Rally-PASO
Moody Park - Sunday, 10:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.
- Oct. 15, 1975- - - - - HWPC Program Meeting
Pacific Room, University of Houston
Student Center - 7:30 P.M.- Wed.
- Oct. 22, 1975- - - - - HWPC Program Meeting
Pacific Room, University of Houston
Student Center - 7:30 P.M., Wed.

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