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HYR Events

3/27/06 - HYR Monthly Meeting at the Magnolia Hotel (downtown)

4/1/06 - Don't Mess with Texas TrashOff

4/13/06 - HYR Happy Hour at the Mezzanine Lounge
www.mezzaninelounge.com

Links

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Houston Young Republican Membership

The Membership Committee would like to welcome new and current members to the Houston Young Republicans. The organization has new and exciting happening in the coming months. For example, this monthly meeting on March 28th, we will have Harris County Judge Robert Eckels as our guest speaker. Other upcoming events include a community service project, membership drive, and plenty of



campaign volunteer work for our Republican candidates. With that being said, membership dues are due! Individual dues are \$30.00 and married couples are \$45.00. Sponsorship dues are also encouraged; contact our Treasurer, Jay Sartain (jsartain@houstonyr.com), about sponsorship levels. You can mail membership dues or pay at the door, check or cash is accepted. This promises to be an exciting year, so spread the word to family and friends.

Come one, come all

Joe "The Hammer" Dotson and Julie White
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A Letter from the HYR President: Spring is Upon Us by David Beirne

Spring is Upon Us, which in Houston means that in a few days, summer will be hitting us in all of its glory. Spring is also primary season and with the exception of a few runoff elections on April 11, we should begin mobilizing to support our Republican candidates for the coming November 7 general election. So while you spend the next few weeks enjoying the milder temperatures and your time outside, let us begin the process of facilitating our candidates to victory.

The executive committee of the Houston Young Republicans is busy planning a full calendar of events in 2006 and if you have not visited www.houstonyr.com recently, please do so and take advantage of our calendar of events. This feature is available to the general public so if you know of potential new members, please encourage them to visit our website.

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Spring is Upon Us continued...

This May we will be launching our membership drive to recruit new members in anticipation of the August Texas Young Republican Federation Convention in Dallas. Three successive evenings of happy hours will be planned followed by a special weekend event so stay tuned for more information. This June, a number of our members are expecting to attend the Republican Party of Texas State Convention in San Antonio, June 2-4th. For those of you who were unable to attend your precinct convention on the night of the primary, I encourage you to attend your Senate District Convention this Saturday at the University of Houston and try for an at-large appointment to the State Convention. The State Party Convention is an excellent opportunity to increase your network and party experience while enjoying all that San Antonio has to offer. For more information on the Senate District Convention process, please visit the county website at www.harriscountygop.com.

HYR is also pleased to announce the launch of our Leadership Series, a special offering to members of HYR to have an audience with a local Republican leader as they reflect on their experiences in leadership as an elected official and within the party. On March 28, we are especially grateful to host Harris County Judge, Robert Eckels and honor him for his leadership to the party and the citizens of Harris County and Louisiana during Hurricanes Rita and Katrina. Please make sure you plan to attend the March 28 meeting and enjoy this new and special offering.

Community Service : Don't Mess with Texas TrashOff

Who: Houston Young Republicans

What: Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off/Keep Houston Beautiful Day

When: Saturday, April 1, 2006 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Zollie Scales Park (To carpool, meet in the Houston Community College West Loop Center parking lot (5601 West Loop South) by 7:20 a.m.)

Dress: Work clothes (paint may be involved--dress accordingly); all gloves, trash bags, etc. are provided

Other: Refreshments are provided in addition to FREE t-shirts and door prizes including 2 Continental round trip airline tickets and Astros tickets

"The Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off is part of the partnership between Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Department of Transportation. It is the single largest one-day cleanup event in the state where nearly 200,000 volunteers offer their time to keep our state beautiful.

Trash-Off is also the signature litter prevention event of the Great American Cleanup™, which is sponsored by Keep America Beautiful and takes place throughout the United States March through May." <http://www.ktb.org/programs/trashoff/>

Come Help HYR Keep Texas Beautiful!

Chelsea Chapman

Community Service Chair

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Republican Party Senate District Conventions

by Heidi Lee

Thank you to the HYR members who represented their precincts as delegates at the Senate District (SD) Conventions Saturday, March 25. Delegates were chosen at Precinct conventions after the Primary Election on March 7. Unlike many counties, Harris County, because of its large size, divides into SDs for the county convention. Delegates discussed and decided on resolutions and chose delegates for the Republican State Convention held June 2-3 in San Antonio. Everyone was encouraged to attend the SD conventions and vie for one of the at-large appointments to the State Convention. Congratulations to the many HYRs who will be representing Houston at the State Convention!

Announcements

HYR Happy Hour: 4/13/06

Come join HYR at the Mezzanine Lounge for the next monthly happy hour on April 13.

Address: 2200 SW Freeway, Suite 150

Time: 6:30-9PM (Come when you can!)

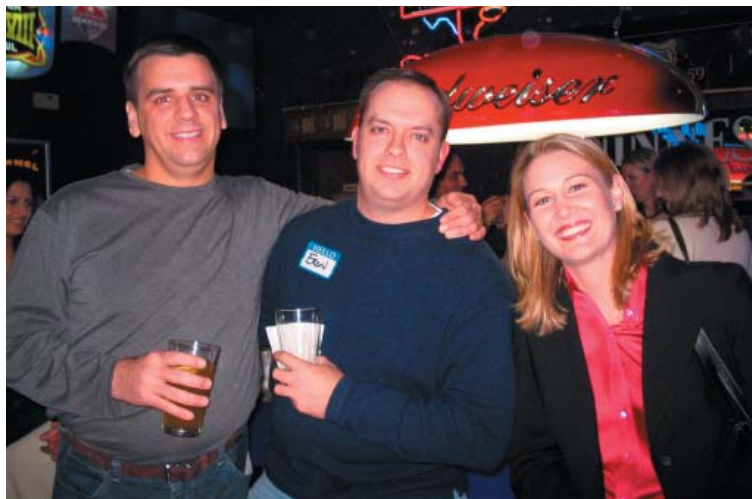
Wes site: www.mezzaninelounge.com

Drink Specials for HYR's all night!

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Harris County Republican Party Primary Results in Contested Races

The runoff election for the Republican Primary will be held April 11. Early Voting will be available starting April 3-7. For other information on the runoff, including polling locations, visit www.harrisvotes.org.

U.S House and Senate

U.S. House, 22nd Dist.	# of Votes:	100%
Pat Baig, R	189	2.10%
Tom Campbell, R	1,907	21.40%
Tom DeLay, R (I)	6,532	73.50%
Michael Fjetland, R	264	3.00%

State of Texas

Governor	In:	100%
Larry Kilgore, R	3,678	4.80%
Star Locke, R	1,657	2.20%
Rick Perry, R (I)	68,172	89.10%
Rhett Smith, R	3,001	3.90%

Lt. Governor	In:	100%
David Dewhurst, R (I)	48,773	76.80%
Tom Kelly, R	14,723	23.20%

Railroad Commissioner	In:	100%
Elizabeth Ames Jones, R (I)	53,269	78.30%
Buck Werner, R	14,797	21.70%

Texas Sup. Ct., Pl. 2	In:	100%
Steve Smith, R	29,277	44.30%
Don Willett, R (I)	36,738	55.70%

Ct. of Crim. Appeals, Presiding Judge	In:	100%
Sharon Keller, R (I)	46,796	71.60%
Tom Price, R	18,520	28.40%

Ct. of Crim. Appeals, Pl. 8	In:	100%
Robert Francis, R	8,140	13.30%
Charles Holcomb, R	28,118	45.80% Run off
Terry Keel, R	25,112	40.90% Run off

State Offices

State Senate, Dist. 7	In:	100%
Mark Ellis, R	2,545	6.10%
Peggy Hamric, R	6,900	16.50%
Joe Nixon, R	3,629	8.70%
Dan Patrick, R	28,860	68.80%

State House, Dist. 126	In:	100%
John Devine, R	3,535	47.70%
Patricia Harless, R	3,870	52.30%

State House, Dist. 127	In:	100%
Joe Crabb, R (I)	3,088	59.00%
Joe Stunja, R	2,144	41.00%

State House, Dist. 133	In:	100%
Barbara Larson, R	1,651	31.20%
Jim Murphy, R	1,783	33.70% Run off
Mike Schofield, R	1,853	35.00% Run off

State House, Dist. 143	In:	100%
Charles George, R	115	39.90%
Dorothy Olmos, R	173	60.10%

County Races

183rd Dist. Court	In:	100%
Lloyd Wayne Oliver, R	27,784	43.40%
Vanessa Velasquez, R (I)	36,178	56.60%

245th Dist. Court	In:	100%
Sheri Y. Dean, R	30,355	48.50%
Annette Galik, R	32,296	51.50%

315th Dist. Court	In:	100%
Beverly Malazzo, R	21,652	33.20%
Mike Schneider Jr., R	43,642	66.80%

Court at Law 2	In:	100%
Gary Block, R (I)	21,056	32.50%
Jacqueline Lucci Smith, R	43,789	67.50%

Court at Law 3	In:	100%
Lynn Bradshaw-Hull, R (I)	31,203	49.50%
Linda Storey, R	31,774	50.50%

Probate Court No. 4	In:	100%
Georgia Akers, R	26,162	41.40%
Bill McCulloch, R (I)	37,107	58.60%

County Treasurer	In:	100%
Jack Cato, R (I)	42,842	59.40%
Orlando Sanchez, R	29,307	40.60%