

Dear Member of GPC

Houston's Gay Political Caucus is the most important grass roots organization in the Gay political movement in the U.S. today. The entire movement looks to you, the gay community of Houston, to set the pace for the 1980's. In the past you have shown outstanding support by your participation in the National March on Washington, Gay Pride Week 1979 and the 1979 Municipal Elections. That support brought us closer to the goal of understanding and respecting each other. In 1980 let us build a stronger community, made up of people who realize and accept their responsibility to participate in a political system that governs our everyday lives. Let us continue to work with the task of educating each other about the system and how it operates. Let us develop leaders for the future. And finally, let us take the opportunity to reach out to every gay and gay supportive person and organization that wishes to join us in the ongoing struggle for human dignity.

Yours in gay pride



Larry Bagneris, Jr.

OUR OBJECTIVES FOR GPC/80

- o The continued growth of GPC as an influential force in Houston politics.
- o The establishment of a firm financial base to allow GPC to continue its growth and development
- o The continued education and outreach to Houston's gay and straight communities.
- o Improvement of the size and quality of GPC's mailing list.
- o GPC's continued search for solutions to problems between the Houston Police Department and the gay community.
- o The institution of a civil rights ordinance to protect the rights of gay people in the city of Houston.
- o Precinct education, development and voter registration.
- o To increase GPC's sensitivity to women's issues.
- o The resolution of problems between GPC and Texas Gay Task Force.
- o The affirmation of the economic strength of Houston's gay community.

LARRY BAGNERIS JR.

Vote for Larry
for Gay Political Caucus
President on February 20,
Wednesday, 7PM at 4640
Main St. (Holiday
Inn Central).

.. a positive change
for all of us!

LARRY BAGNERIS, JR.

a record of leadership in our community.

- o Vice president for two years of Houston's Gay Political Caucus; acting president of GPC from March -- May of 1979.
- o Long time participant in Houston Gay Community affairs -- including involvement with the following organizations:
 - o Gay Political Caucus
 - o Gay Hispanic Caucus
 - o EPAH
 - o Gay Young People
 - o Family
 - o The Houston Committee
 - o Gay Resources Services
 - o P.A.S.O.
 - o Wilde 'n Stein Radio Collective
 - o Harris County Democrats
 - o Integrity/Houston
 - o MCCR
 - o Dignity
- o Member of the executive board of the National Gay Task Force.
- o Co-founder of the Gay Hispanic Caucus in June of 1979.
- o An organizer of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights and elected representative of GPC to the National Planning Conference in Philadelphia in February of 1979 and member of the credentials committee
- o Instrumental in obtaining National Gay Task Force endorsement of the march.
- o Involved in promotion of the march and fund-raising on a variety of levels in New York, Washington DC, Louisiana and Houston.
- o Organizer of the Gay Pride Week Parade of 1979 and member of the executive committee for Gay Pride Week 1979.
- o Successfully raised funds for:
 - o 1979 Gay Pride Week Parade permit and insurance
 - o Fireworks display during Gay Pride Week 1979
 - o The National March on Washington
 - o 1979 Houston Municipal Elections (MECH)
 - o 1978 Krew of Apollo Mardis Gras Ball in Houston
- o Involved in state-wide politics as:
 - o Delegate to the Democratic State Convention in Fort Worth in 1979.
 - o GPC representative at the Democratic mini-convention in Memphis in 1978.
- o Eastern Region co-coordinator and board member of the Texas Gay Task Force in 1978.
- o Recently appointed to the advisory committee of the National Convention Project for Lesbian and Gay Rights.
- o Nominated as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1980.
- o Involved in planning and staging of Gayfest 1979 and the 1979 Gay Day at Astroworld. in connection with Family.
- o ~~Attended~~ the National Women's Conference in Houston in 1978.