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Southeastern Regional PFLAG Meets

By Don King
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The national president of Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays envisions parents throughout the United States building bridges between gay and lesbian people and the general population.

"Each parent can play such an important role in educating society that our children deserve full human and civil rights," said Paulette Goodman, the Washington, D.C., parent-activist who has fought for gay/lesbian civil rights since 1983.

Goodman brought her message to 29 other parents attending the first-ever conference of PFLAG's South Atlantic region - the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida.

Regional director Joyce Rankin and her husband Dub, members of the Charlotte PFLAG chapter, hosted the one-day Sept. 16 conference at their home in rural Gaston County, N.C., near Charlotte. Charlotte will host the 1991 national PFLAG convention.

Goodman's keynote address outlined present and future work of PFLAG's national federation. Other conference topics included strengthening local chapters, countering religious homophobia, Goodman's workshop on managing help-line phone calls, and facilitating discussion groups.



PFLAG National President Paulette Goodman

Political activism in Charlotte has produced financial dividends for the national federation. Photos and a written account of parents picketing Vice President Dan Quayle's visit to a Christian fundamentalist banquet were used in a summer direct mail appeal, and \$5,000 has been raised so far with more mail coming weekly.

"Most important is that we managed for the very first time to have a gathering in the region," said national director Rankin. "A

very strong sense of unity was developed and we now have a sense of bonding with the national federation because Paulette was here.

"The growth in the region looks wonderful," she said. "We have the potential for new chapters in Miami, where one is so very needed, and Myrtle Beach, Boone (N.C.) and Orlando are new. We're targeting Savannah. And we have a contact that seems very promising in Puerto Rico."

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BEST BETS

- Oct. 7 Mature Gay Men
- Oct. 8 Rev. Steve Pieters at MCC Charlotte & New Life MCC
- Oct. 10 **VOTE!!!!!!**
(or you deserve who you get!)
- Oct. 12 Gay Parents, PFLAG
- Oct. 13 8:30 MCSP Coffeehouse at Howard Johnson's Downtown
10 PM Closetbusters on Cablevision Ch. 33
- Oct. 21 Fun & Games Nite (see ad pg. 3)
- Oct. 22 Integrity
- Oct. 25 Queen City Friends Birthday Party at Casa Gallardo (Park Road)
- Oct. 28 MCC Charlotte Pot Luck Supper, All Saints Costume Party
- Oct. 29 PFLAG Halloween fundraiser (call PFLAG for info.)
- Oct. 31 Halloween

Hugo's Delaying Primary Provides Better Look At Candidates

By Sandra Bailey
 Special to Q-Notes

First Tuesday, a local advocacy group for the gay/lesbian community, has continued to question the candidates running for Mayor and city council. Due to Hugo and the delay of the primary to after press time, we are including information on all the candidates running in the primary and the election. A list of the questions and the results obtained by First Tuesday are in this issue of Q-Notes.

Craig Madans called to state that now that he is the Democratic candidate for Mayor, he has not changed his position and desire to work for equal rights for gays and lesbians. He said it was ridiculous for the police to spend their time and money to entrap gay men when Charlotte has the drug and crime problem that it has.

Charles Salem said, "I don't believe in laws limiting the sexual activities of consenting adults. While I have not answered 'yes' to all the questions, I am clearly, unquestionably an advocate for gay and lesbian constitutional and civil rights."

Stewart Lillard, when reached by phone, said, "I feel it best for me to not answer your questions." He did not wish to meet with us.

Robert Sheets stated that he would not only support a city ordinance for gay equal rights, but that he would be glad to introduce it.

Jeff Williams' brochure states, "With high Judeo-Christian standards and moral values
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First Tuesday: City Council Questionnaire

If elected to the City Council, will you:

1. Support an ordinance prohibiting discrimination in housing on the basis of sexual orientation?
2. Support an ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation for any private sector employee?
3. Support an ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation for any public sector employee (police, fire, military, teacher, etc.)?
4. Support funding for AIDS education?
5. Oppose discrimination in employment, public accommodation, housing, healthcare, or educational opportunity against persons with positive AIDS or HIV test results?
6. Support gay men and lesbians having full legal rights including:
 - a. adoption
 - b. Legal recognition for same-sex couples
 - c. spousal healthcare benefits
 - d. hospital visitation rights
7. Would you like to meet with a committee from First Tuesday to discuss gay and lesbian legal and civil rights issues?

Survey Responses

Y=yes U=undecided N=no NA=no answer

District Name (Party)	1	2	3	4	5	6a	b	c	d	7
Mayor										
Sue Myrick (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	N
Craig Madans (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y
City Council-at-Large										
Darryl A. Broome (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Elloree M. Erwin (R)	Y	Y	U	Y	U	N	N	N	Y	Y
Roosevelt Gardner (R)	U	U	U	Y	Y	U	U	U	U	Y
Ann Hammond (D)	U	U	Y	Y	Y	N	U	U	Y	Y
Pat McCory (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cyndee Patterson (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Dick Primm (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jim Ross (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Y
Robert Sheets (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Evan Webster (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Y
Jeff Williams (D)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Richard Vinroot (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
City Council - District 2										
Steve Barker (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Charlie Dannelly (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hoyle Martin (D)	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Ed Gormley (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	U	Y	Y	Y	Y
City Council - District 3										
Sam Carr (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ella Scarborough (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
City Council - District 7										
Vic Bell (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
Tom Mangum (R)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Stewart Lillard (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	N
District 1										
Dan Clodfelter (D)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
District 4										
Roy Matthews (D)										
Kenneth Andrews (R)	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
District 5										
Rita Arundell (D)										
Stan Campbell (R)										
District 6										
Charles Salem (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N
Lynn Wheeler (R)	U	U	U	U	Y	U	U	U	Y	N