

Sarah Jordan Campaigns For Husband

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Sarah Jordan always felt her husband should run for the office of governor or lieutenant governor.

"He's always been a forward thinker and a businessman," Mrs. Jordan spoke of her husband, Bob. Her encouragement and that from several state politicians did lead to Jordan running for Lt. Governor.

Someone with a business background is significant for the second-highest office in the state, Mrs. Jordan assured. She pointed out her husband has taken the smallest lumber company in their home county of Montgomery and converted it into the largest pine operation in the state.

"The business started out as a 13-man lumber plant. Now it employs 500 people," Mrs. Jordan stated with pride. She said the success of the lumber plant has earned Jordan national recognition in his field. He is also president of the Forest Foundation.

The Jordans live in Mt.



Bob Jordan
.....State Senator

Gilead, where he was a member of the town board for 11 years. Jordan served 10 years as chairman of the Montgomery County planning board. "He understands small and large business concepts," Mrs. Jordan assured.

The four-term state senator has spoken out on several issues, especially since the federal government handed down several budget cuts that affected human service programs, as well as the education system.

When he addressed the

N.C. County Commissioners Association, Jordan stated, "The state, when mandating local programs, needs to share in the responsibility of making sure the programs are either adequately funded or the mandates reduced."

The Democratic candidate also aired concern for the school system. "The State Board of Education and the General Assembly must define a basic education program and push for the funding of that program, so all children of our state have the same op-

portunity," Jordan told the state's county commissioners. He serves on the Southeastern Regional Education Board.

Mrs. Jordan mentioned how she and her husband are disappointed there is no unified voice when it comes to child needs. "There are many child advocates, but there doesn't seem to be one unified voice," Mrs. Jordan commented. She believes it will be Jordan's priority as Lt. Gov. to address child care needs and other human service programs.

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