

# Dist. 41 Representative

## Burrows:

Republican seeks third term as rep

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"With two kids of my own at the University, tuition (educational funding) is an important personal concern as well as a legislative concern," says Republican Mary McCauley Burrows, Dist. 41 State Representative.

Burrows, seeking her third term as a state representative, says funding for higher education should be increased through state funding. But if that isn't possible "we should look at alternatives to tuition such as the voucher system."

A member of the Energy and Resources Study Committee for the Council of State Governments, Burrows says the first step to solving energy problems is convincing the public that problems exist.

"We need to encourage conservation — resource recovery at all levels . . . Our biggest problem will be with water. Should it be used to grow food or create energy?"

Burrows has signed a petition to put the nuclear safeguards initiative on the ballot in November and says she will vote for it.

A native of Albany, Burrows and her husband Chuck have four children. She graduated from Northwest Christian College in theology and has been active in various political committees during and prior to her two terms as a state representative.

Burrows feels that the public must be convinced of the need for mass transit.

"We obviously need some sort of system, but we really have to find out what the public is most receptive to — then move to implementation and funding," Burrows says.

On other issues:

- Burrows says too much emphasis has been put on field burning and not enough on car pollution. She sees a problem with smoke, but also a possible food shortage in the future; however, more machines are needed for the process, Burrows says.

- She supports the open primary, but is concerned about voter manipulation and disenfranchisement of the in-

dependent voter (there is a high percentage of registered independents in districts 40 and 41). Burrows feels the voters are responsible enough that this will not occur.

- Burrows says she cannot support reinstatement of the death penalty. "The constitu-



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tion calls for reformation, not vindictive justice."

- She believes the corporate farming initiative should be in statute form and feels the current proposal is poorly drafted. She does support banning corporate-owned farms in Oregon.

- We need to look at where we are now with marijuana decriminalization, Burrows says. "Do we need refining, liberalizing? Is it equitable now?"

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A 1976 political science graduate of the University, John Stewart is taking a second stab at the Dist. 41 State Representative spot.

Stewart, a 24-year-old Portland native, has been active in Democratic conventions and committees since 1972. He currently is employed as a legal assistant with Babcock and Ackerman, a Springfield law firm.

"Education," Stewart says, "should be available to everybody who wants to utilize it — and the ability to pay shouldn't have anything to do with it."

Stewart says a short-term goal to keep tuition down would be reallocation of funds within the state budget. Long term goals include working toward options such as the availability of more traditional loans, a voucher system, go-now-pay-later system, and working at school to pay for tuition.

"The basic energy problem is that the whole pattern of the economy doesn't recognize limits on anything, including resources," Stewart says.

He believes the first solution is conservation — "It generates new energy, employs the most people and has the least impact on the environment." Stewart says he would work to encourage the remodeling of

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homes and buildings to conserve energy and the development of solar research.

A former secretary of Oregonians for Nuclear Safeguards, Stewart says nuclear power problems are the epitome of what's wrong in the United States. Nuclear power "is 'big business' and big government's answer to a problem that's simple — we're wasteful."

Stewart says the mass transit proposal is attractive because it saves energy and provides low cost transportation for people who don't want to depend on cars. But, he says, the energy problem would be solved better by "getting the gas guzzlers off the road." He feels a good bus system and a good bike trail system are two important immediate goals.

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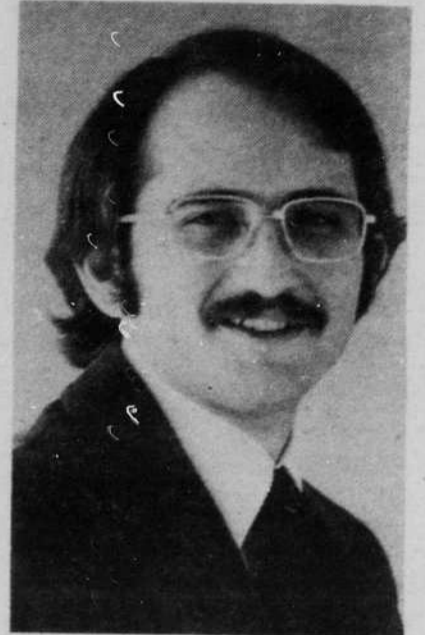
- "I am opposed to field burning and favor an immediate end to it," Stewart says.

- Stewart says he would vote against reinstating the death penalty. "The possibility of killing an innocent person is great enough not to have it."

- He favors the open primary, but feels the Republican initiative isn't the fairest way.

- Stewart has signed the corporate farming ban initiative but admits the proposal

has problems. He feels it is important enough to adopt and work with problem areas later. "I don't trust the large corporations to manage the resources in the best way over time."



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- "Continued decriminalization of marijuana is in order," Stewart says. He advocates its legalization and says the state needs a comprehensive drug reform act to modify all drug laws.



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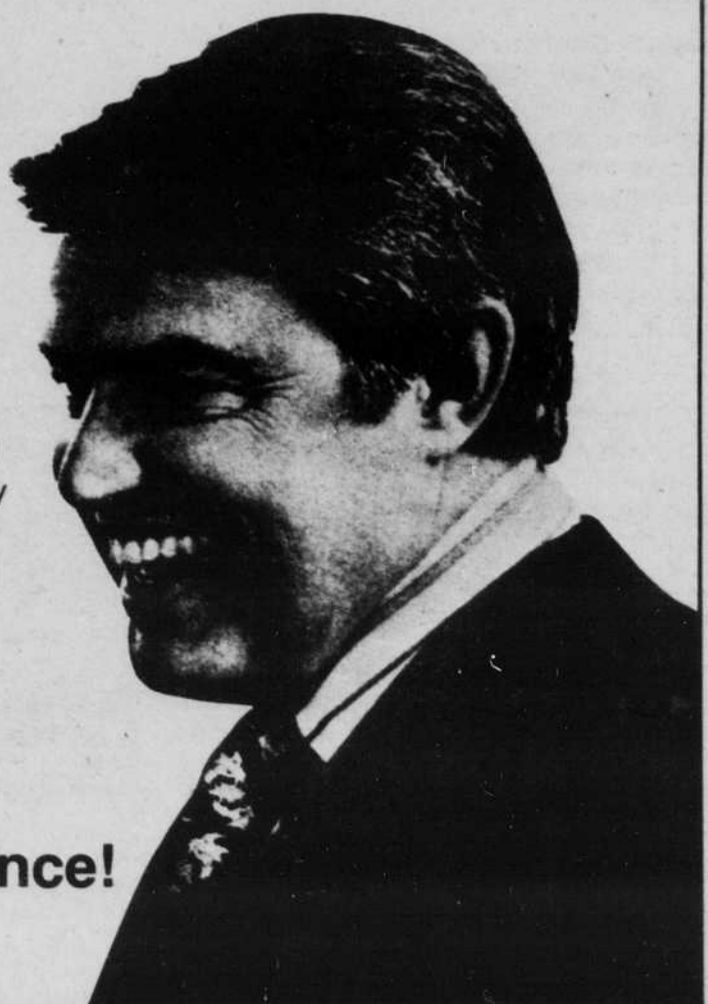
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