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**So They Say:** "If you can't find hope and change in the simple fact that a lesbian Latina trans woman is a delegate to the Democratic National Convention, helping to nominate the next president of the United States of America, I don't know where one could." (Aug. 28, 2008)

**Who's Next:** Card shark Calvo says, "An even money bet is likely to be Sam Adams."

Laura Calvo's coming-out story made the front page of *The Grants Pass Courier* in 2003, coinciding with her testimony for the state's first queer-specific nondiscrimination law. When she



encountered a homophobic work environment as a police officer, she realized that she had no legal protection. Politics became her lifeline.

Calvo holds numerous positions in political organizations, including National Stonewall Democrats regional director, Democratic Party of Oregon's credentials committee chairwoman and treasurer for the Oregon Democratic Party GLBT Caucus and Multnomah County Democrats. She represented Oregon as a delegate at the 2008 Democratic National Convention.

## BILL DICKEY

*Generous co-owner of Witham & Dickey*

**Claim to Fame:** Building a second career in the printing industry at age 40; growing the company into a nationwide entity.

**Who's Next:** Cal Labbe, "a talented lesbian who is going to mature into a really smart political strategist."

Printer and philanthropist Bill Dickey built his professional reputation by giving back, a value and strategy he learned from his parents. He's been addicted to philanthropy since high school in Medford. His business, Witham & Dickey, donates thousands

of dollars and services to queer and other non-profit groups including Basic Rights Oregon, Oregon Food Bank, Cascade AIDS Project, Portland Center Stage and Oregon Special Olympics.



Dickey's print shop carved out a niche market by providing print services for Democratic causes across the country.

Dickey was just as generous with his profits in his former career as a bar and restaurant owner in the 1980s, namely as proprietor of the Dakota Cafe until 1993.

Dickey says he feels a sense of obligation to "take care of our own people." He said, "It's important to give seed money to enterprising minds and people with energy to make the world a better place." The fact that it's good advertising for his print business is just gravy.

## CHARLIE HINKLE

*Gay rights lawyer*

**Claim to Fame:** Representing trailblazer Peggy Burton and decimating the arguments of the Oregon Citizens Alliance's Scott Lively at a Portland City Club debate in 1992, bringing statewide visibility to the No on 9 campaign.

**So They Say:** "If opponents of the domestic partnership law try to bring this back on the ballot, Oregonians will slam the door on them." (Nov. 7, 2008)

**Who's Next:** Trung Tu, "a bright and energetic guy who could make a great impact on gay rights if he remains in private practice, and Sarah Adams, a dynamo young lawyer and Oregon Gay and Lesbian Law Association board member."



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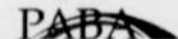
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