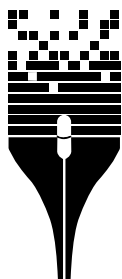


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## “QUOTE” OF THE WEEK

“I’m speechless...”

- 9th CD Republican nominee Michael

Bailey, to WIBC-AM after reporters confirmed that he defeated Kevin Kellems

## McIntosh weighs LG nomination

Harcourt, Lubbers, Newman, Toth, Heath

By **BRIAN A. HOWEY** in Indianapolis

Fresh off a 72-28 percent victory over John R. Price, Republican gubernatorial nominee David McIntosh has begun the process to pick his running mate, which is expected to occur before the end of the month.

In our analysis, five names appear to be headed for a short list: State Sen. Teresa Lubbers of Indianapolis, former Republican National Committeewoman Jean Ann Harcourt of Milroy, Marion County Prosecutor Scott Newman, St. Joseph County Prosecutor Christopher Toth, and Lafayette Mayor Dave Heath.

Sources tell HPR that McIntosh has decided to make his own decision in the wake of Stephen Goldsmith’s 1996 actions when he threw it to the Republican Convention. McIntosh has spent little time weighing LG candidates, preferring to let his staff deal with the crucial choice up to this point. McIntosh has charged former GOP communications director Devin Anderson and campaign director Kelli Waggoner with two guiding principles: That the candidate would be a great governor; and that the LG nominee would share his vision for the state.

Here is how the five names on an unofficial short list developed by HPR stack up:

**Jean Ann Harcourt:** As 2nd CD Chair, she is close to McIntosh both politically and personally. She is a successful businesswoman, running a family school supply business in rural Rush County. Harcourt is also a mother with a buoyant and friendly personality. She is, as they say in Rush County, “smart as a whip” and would not attract the kind of “empty suit” comments that dogged Sue Anne Gilroy. She has become something of a modern-day Betty Rendel who has been extremely popular in GOP circles, which would be key in McIntosh’s quest to pull in more of the 22 percent of Republicans who voted for O’Bannon in 1996. She would play well in the “doughnut” counties surrounding Indianapolis while avoiding the stigma of being “another Indianapolis” candidate. She enjoys a vividly good relationship with state Chairman Mike McDaniel. The one big question is whether Harcourt is willing to leave the family business - an apparent reason for her decision not to run for the Indiana House this year. With the so-called “gender gap” facing Hoosier Republicans, Harcourt would be an ideal can

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**GRIESY DEFEATS ARENA:** Late vote totals from the Indiana Secretary of State's office shows that Darin Patrick Griesy has defeated Nick Arena in the 6th CD Democratic primary, 4,715 to 4,168. The Indianapolis Star had reported on Wednesday that Arena was the "likely" winner. The Star was besieged with computer problems throughout Election Night. Griesy will face U.S. Rep. Dan Burton. "It's been up and down since last night," Arena told HPR Wednesday night.

**2000 PRIMARY RESULTS (Contested Elections)**  
Unofficial Results from the Secretary of State's office

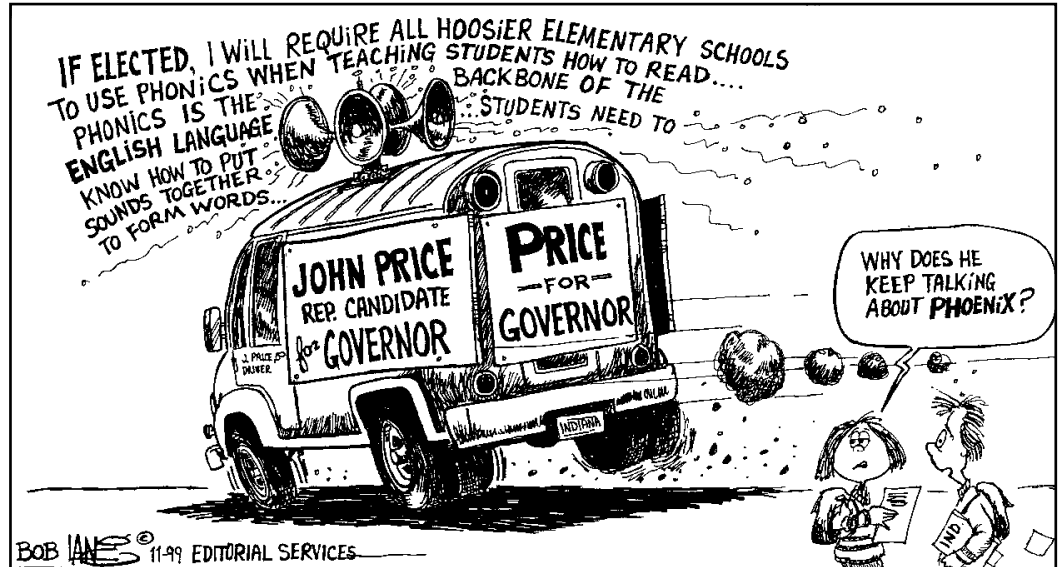
**PRESIDENT**  
Gore (D) 219,506  
Bradley (D) 66,236  
LaRouche (D) 9,389  
Bush (R) 329,565  
McCain (R) 76,638  
Horse Race: Tossup

**GOVERNOR**  
O'Bannon (D) 271,727  
McIntosh (R) 279,996  
Price (R) 114,550  
Horse Race: Leans D

**U.S. SENATE**  
Johnson (D) 192,390  
Lugar (R) 356,615  
Horse Race: Safe R

**U.S. HOUSE  
1ST CD**  
Visclosky (D) 31,507  
Smith (D) 6,098

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didate in trying to draw back independent female voters who see education as a top issue.

**Teresa Lubbers:** Republicans still chafe about Goldsmith losing Marion County in 1996. That is Lubbers' home base. Lubbers was a maverick candidate who upset the slated candidate, John Ruckleshaus, to win her Senate seat - an element similar to McIntosh's own political personality. She was one of the original women to emerge from the Lugar Series of Excellence, prompting Sen. Richard Lugar to beam with pride last year after he had testified about Y2K preparedness before her Senate committee. She is a no-nonsense senator who comes from the mid-level ranks long denied power by the Senate's GOP dinosaurs. Lubbers has championed school vouchers in the Senate. She is a mother and her husband, Mark, managed Lugar's 1996 presidential campaign. Her strengths would be to offset Democratic Mayor Bart Peterson's influence in Marion County while articulating the McIntosh education plan. While the county doesn't carry as much weight as it once did, it is still an important bulwark.

**Christopher Toth:** The first-term St. Joseph County prosecutor upset seven-

term Democrat Mike Barnes in 1998. He was one of the first Hoosier candidates to use an extensive e-mail campaign. He is seen as a law-and-order prosecutor who doesn't like plea bargains. He is politically close to McIntosh and their political organizations are integrated. Toth is helping McIntosh develop his upcoming plan on crime policy. The downside to a Toth LG candidacy is that he is not well known south of the South Bend TV market. He probably wouldn't keep the O'Bannon-Kernan ticket from carrying St. Joseph County, and the animus between South Bend and big GOP areas like Elkhart and Marhsall counties seems to be more vivid than in other urban/suburban relationships elsewhere in the state. Thus, Toth may not be as much of a help in the geographical mode.

**Scott Newman:** The Marion County Prosecutor won a second term by fending off an extremely negative TV ad campaign by staying positive in 1998. He is a former Goldsmith protege who has navigated his own course since winning his first term in 1994 - the same year McIntosh won his first term to Congress. Like McIntosh, Newman has a long-time relationship with former Indiana GOP Chairman Al Hubbard. Newman, like Lubbers, could be seen as a candidate who could help the GOP ticket recapture

Marion County. He has much wider TV exposure in the Indianapolis market than either Lubbers or Harcourt. He is a law and order guy who, like Toth, is helping McIntosh prepare his crime plan. His efforts in the Indiana General Assembly to get tougher punishments on weapons crimes would be a vivid selling point.

**Dave Heath:** He is the two-term mayor of Lafayette and a former Tippecanoe County sheriff. When McIntosh showed up in Lafayette on Monday's fly-around, it was Heath who personally transported him around town. Heath has been involved in developing the McIntosh crime plan. He would be seen as a natural liaison to Indiana's cities and

towns, which would have to grapple with a potential tax freeze from the McIntosh tax plan.

Several other names had been bandied about as potential running mates. State Sen. Becky Skillman has been on previous lists, but sources tell HPR she would rather stay in the Senate.

State Auditor Connie Nass has been a vociferous critic of the O'Bannon administration. But it did not go unnoticed that she gave the Price campaign a \$500 donation.

John R. Price told HPR that he "couldn't afford" to be lieutenant governor or attorney general. ❖

## Stories behind the '00 primary

By **Brian A. Howey** in Indianapolis  
And **Mark Schoeff Jr.** in Washington

All day Monday, David McIntosh criss-crossed the state trying to lower expectations.

"I never want to predict," McIntosh said to the Indianapolis press corps. "I think it will be closer than expected. It's going to be closer than anyone assumed. I'm telling the staff to run as if we're 10 percent down."

"I think it's going to be closer than anyone ever anticipated," he said at Fort Wayne. "Go out and vote." By the time his last stop rolled around - diverting his day-end flight from Muncie to Anderson to meet a WTHR-TV crew, he told reporter Julia Moffitt, "We'll either move forward or we'll support John Price if he wins."

Was he seeing something that no one else was? Spokesman Rob Collins called it a game of lowered expectations. "We thought there'd be more excitement in the 2nd and 7th Districts. There might be 400,000 votes but 100,000 might not show up because of bad weather in the south. So we're just trying to be realistic."

By Tuesday night, the lowered

expectation game was off as McIntosh nailed Price with a 72-28 percent win, losing only Jasper County.

Even though Price had polled that quarter of the vote, McIntosh still outpolled O'Bannon by about 10,000 votes.

## HORSE RACE

It was a classic example of a Bayh-style airwar crushing the John Price groundwar. McIntosh has spent about \$1.5 million on TV that spelled out his plans to revamp education and bring a 25 percent property tax cut. Price was left to travel to all 92 counties in his little red school bus. In the end, Hoosier Republicans saw in McIntosh their version of Evan Bayh - a young, magnetic conservative working to restore luster to a beaten and battered Grand Old Party.

After his primary victory, the lowered expectations game was off as McIntosh and O'Bannon - both undefeated - began to engage in what promises to be an epic campaign.

The 25 percent tax cut that

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Huerter (D) 1,229  
Reynolds (R) 6,618  
Levy (R) 3,478  
Horse Race: Safe D

2ND CD  
Rock (D) 9,545  
Gyure (D) 7,232  
Burks (D) 5,513  
Liggett (D) 5,279  
Harding (D) 2,375  
Pence (R) 21,582  
Linder (R) 11,615  
Messer (R) 10,075  
Steele (R) 2,819  
Campbell (R) 1,913  
Federle (R) 513  
Horse Race: Leans R

3RD CD  
Roemer (D) 22,823  
Osborn (D) 3,008  
Chocola (R) 25,697  
Horse Race: Leans D

4TH CD  
Foster (D) 10,410  
Roach (D) 4,176  
Souder (R) 28,710  
Loomis (R) 17,768  
Horse Race: Safe R

5TH CD  
Goodnight (D) 12,265  
Ellis (D) 3,509  
Arnold (D) 3,359  
Salisbury (D) 2,012  
Buyer (R) 43,293  
Horse Race: Likely R

6TH CD  
Griesy (D) 4,715  
Arena (D) 4,168  
Nagarajan (D) 3,236  
Burton (R) 54,320  
Holland (R) 14,128  
Horse Race: Safe R

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### 7TH CD

Graf (D)	7,891
Clapper (D)	7,131
Hillenburg (D)	5,266
Grinestaff (D)	3,998
Kerns (R)	22,766
Griffiths (R)	18,792
Gatzimos (R)	7,233
Donaldson (R)	2,869
Duncan (R)	2,679
Branam (R)	2,156
Hess (R)	1,458
Timm (R)	933

Horse Race: Likely R

### 8TH CD

Perry (D)	25,930
Hamilton (D)	17,231
Taylor (D)	2,068
Hostettler (R)	29,806

Horse Race: Tossup

### 9TH CD

Hill (D)	42,235
McClure (D)	5,264
Terry (D)	1,921
Bailey (R)	14,314
Kellems (R)	13,590

Horse Race: Safe D

### 10TH CD

Carson (D)	22,271
Spelbring (D)	1,680
Hidalgo (D)	1,098
Scott (R)	7,807
Samuel (R)	7,807

Horse Race: Safe D

### INDIANA HOUSE

#### HD12

Aguilera (D)	2,034
Kesic (D)	1,812
Phares (D)	1,223

Horse Race: Safe D

#### HD33

Liggett (D)	3,565
Carpenter (R)	3,656
Burkey (R)	1,611

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McIntosh spent Monday espousing became a huge backdrop banner on Wednesday morning as he appeared before the press and began to lay the contrast with the governor.

### O'Bannon challenges

O'Bannon began the day by urging the press corps to ask McIntosh the specifics of his plan. "People deserve to hear how he'll pay for it," the governor said, even drawing reference to 1996 nominee Stephen Goldsmith, who laid out the numbers for his plans.

McIntosh said in Lafayette on Monday that he was waiting for the fiscal year's final numbers after June 30. "We want to wait until we have good numbers," he said. "You can't keep running an unconstitutional system. What I've found is that voters just really want to know now."

Ruthie McIntosh added, "You usually don't delay good news."

On Election Night, a defiant O'Bannon said, "I've seen the numbers. I know the numbers." McIntosh responded on Wednesday: "I urge the governor to come forward with his plans. The courts have made it clear they'll raise property taxes by 30 percent or more. There's a real contrast - his 30 percent increase or my 25 percent decrease."

On WIBC on Tuesday night, O'Bannon said, "Since David has been running for a year, we pretty much know what he'll do and what direction he's going. What I'm excited about is one simple reason: My message will be a positive one and it will say what's right about Indiana and what direction we'll be going and we'll continue to do that."

WIBC's Eric Berman asked, "How much of David McIntosh's record will you go after? The state party has gone after his record. How much will you pursue that?" O'Bannon responded, "I think I'll look at what I think is important for Indiana's future and the vision we have. It makes education our number one priority

and we'll continue to work that direction. We've had some historic changes in the direction of education. We want to make sure there is nothing - nothing - to interfere with us moving forward. That includes any cuts in education and that's my biggest concern about his tax cut. The numbers aren't there. I know the numbers. I've been through it for many, many years - how you have to put the numbers together and how you have to be straight with the people on what a program will cost. Steve Goldsmith and I did it in the last election and that's the only way you can be honest with the people."

HPR's Brian Howey asked how O'Bannon would be able to continue to attract Republican support.

O'Bannon explained, "You never know. This state goes up and down - a third Democrat, a third Republican, a third independents. It's always sort of an uphill battle. You work for those people who want a strong and responsible government. I think I'll attract a lot of voters."

Howey also asked about the McIntosh environmental record and the fish kill, which O'Bannon had used with devastating effectiveness against Goldsmith in 1996. "Yeah, I'll use it again," O'Bannon said. "His record on the environment, which I read in the Muncie paper, shows he's a person who's against almost any kind of regulations against businesses because of his philosophy. As far as what we're doing, our rivers are cleaner and our air is cleaner than it's ever been. We've still got a long way to go."

Essentially, the battle lines have been drawn over taxes, education and the environment. A McIntosh crime plan looms, although the Democrats are confident the 500 new cops will win the day for O'Bannon.

Several key parts of the puzzle still aren't in place. The final diploma rate for the Class of 2000 is unknown after the final Graduation Qualifying Exam was taken in early April. While the state rate will probably be close to the 13 percent

norm, pockets in urban areas (it was 40 percent in Indianapolis) will be much higher. There will be the fiscal year numbers coming after June 30, and future Indiana Tax Court rulings that could inject adrenaline into the tax debate.

It stands to be an epic showdown.

### Mike Pence

Throughout Wednesday, Bill Frazier's face kept popping up in the Indianapolis TV market, selling his RVs and mobile homes. The question was, would he run as an independent in the 2nd CD and throw a wrench into GOP plans to hold on to the district.

An exhausted Mike Pence marveled at the civility of the Republican primary. "There was almost no blood on the floor after this primary," he told HPR late Wednesday.

But had he made the pilgrimage to Muncie in an attempt to keep Frazier out of the race? Had he learned the Fort Wayne lesson last year when Linda Buskirk failed to make peace with Joe Squadrito after a bitter primary, and then lost by less than 100 votes after Squadrito bolted? "Not on my part, personally," Pence conceded. "I have a great deal of respect for him. He's fought the good fight. There are a number of our mutual friends hoping to get him to reconsider. If I needed to go up and see him, I'd be open to that. But this may not be an intra-party thing." Frazier out of the race makes Pence an early frontrunner against young Democrat Robert Rock Jr. If he's in, there's the potential to siphon off votes and more of a potential for a tight race.

Pence did spend time with chief primary opponent Jeff Linder, who has promised to help patch things up in Shelby County. "The key to victory in the fall will be to do precisely what we did in the primary - to articulate the conservative agenda in an unapologetic way, and to run a campaign that reflects what was our true grassroots strength - going door to door and being organized on the ground."

### Robert Rock

It wasn't so much the end game that gave Robert Rock Jr - the son of a lieutenant governor - the 2nd CD Democratic nomination. It was front-loaded. As his mother, Mary Jo - daughter and wife of an Anderson mayor and state senator - it came down to this: "We still know the people we need to talk to."

What occurred in December and January was Rock garnering support of Anderson Mayor Mark Lawler, Madison County Democratic Chairman Tom Ashley, and from a potential rival candidate - 2nd CD vice chairwoman Melina Ann Fox. Ashley and Lawler would deliver the district's Madison County motherlode; Fox along with Shelby County chair Linda Emerick promised to hold the southern part of the district. Rock delivered Madison (where the last Democratic congressman, Phil Sharp, had hailed from Elwood), won every precinct in Shelby but one, and came in second in Bartholomew as he staked a victory with 30 percent of the vote. Ron Gyure (23 percent), Troy Liggett (22 percent) and Angela Burks (18 percent) split up the rest.

Now the 2nd CD features two young men - Pence and Rock - who are both pro-life, fiscally conservative with long political histories and promising to run issue-oriented positive campaigns. It should be a great race.

### Paul Perry

Powerful Democrats in the Bloody 8th had been tipping off HPR that John Hamilton was in serious trouble for the past week. One told us over the weekend that he thought Perry might win with "55 percent." But as Tim Starks of the *Evansville Courier & Press* wrote in Wednesday's edition, "If anyone would have told 8th District Democrats this time last year that John Hamilton would lose the nomination, jaws would have dropped. And jaws would have dropped if they had made the prediction of a 2-to-1 margin."

But Perry staged a stunning upset,

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Whitacre (R) 884  
Horse Race: Safe D

HD66  
Goodin (D) 3,890  
Lorenzo (D) 2,160  
Wilson (D) 1,153  
Nelson (D) 157  
Horse Race: Safe D

HD72  
White (R) 1,405  
Schulz (R) 773  
Horse Race: Safe R

HD76  
Weinzapfel (D) 4,601  
D. Hostettler (R) 1,273  
Cooke (R) 446  
Horse Race: Likely D

HD 91  
Godfey (D) 597  
Richardson (D) 449  
Behning (R) 3,857  
Horse Race: Safe R

HD94  
Bardon (D) 2,013  
Ogden (R) 1,779  
Brinkman (R) 1,176  
Horse Race: Leans D

HD97  
Mahern (D) 1,127  
Smith (R) 772  
Wilkerson (R) 684  
Horse Race: Safe D

**PRICE TO SELL BUS:**  
Defeated gubernatorial candidate John R. Price told WIBC on Tuesday night that he will sell his famed "Little Red School Bus" that he used on the campaign trail in 1998 and 2000. He did not specify a price. The

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Republican has also indicated that he does not plan to seek elective office again.

**LUGAR CRITICIZES JOHNSON FUND-RAISER:** A fundraiser by Democratic U.S. Senate candidate David Johnson has been criticized by incumbent Republican Sen. Richard Lugar because of its partnership with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (Suzanne McBride, *Indianapolis Star*). The event raised about \$100,000, which went to a committee named Indiana Senate 2000 and will be split between Johnson's campaign and the DSCC. Lugar said the financial arrangement allows Johnson's campaign to get additional money from contributors who already have contributed the maximum amount allowed.

**BUYER OPPOSES CHINA TRADE:** Republican 5th District Congressman Steve Buyer made an election-eve announcement Monday that he will oppose passage of the proposed China trade bill (George Stoya, *Kokomo Tribune*). Labor organizations in Buyer's district have waged a strong campaign against allowing China into the World Trade Organization. Nick Kodrea, chairman of the UAW Community Action Programs, said he was happy about Buyer's announcement, but "I'm only sorry it took

winning by close to 20 percent. Hamilton's campaign was sloppy and lethargic and did little to counter a parade of endorsements from an array of county sheriffs, commissioners, council members and party chairs. Hamilton carried only Monroe, Lawrence and Orange counties.

It represents the worst case scenario for Hostettler, who has squeaked out narrow wins in the last six years. The *Courier & Press* reported Evansville Councilman Steve Melcher had seen 3rd Ward Republicans asking for Democratic ballots to vote for Perry. The danger for Hostettler is that Perry is a pro-life Democrat - a significant departure from nominees Frank McCloskey, Jonathon Weinzapfel and Gail Riecken. Perry is the very kind many theorized it would take to unseat Hostettler, who has one of the best grassroots organizations in the state - based on the Right to Life coalitions.

But Perry goes well beyond the issue of abortion. His "Let's put a doctor in the House" slogan and consistent talk on reforming medical policy obviously resonated more distinctly than anyone imagined a few months ago. Perry is articulate and energetic, which could make quite a contrast to the soft-spoken Hostettler.

The Bloody 8th may have a different dynamic on the abortion issue this time, and may find itself at the epicenter for control of the U.S. House

### Brian Kerns

In the heated 7th CD Republican primary, Vigo, Tippecanoe and Hendricks counties recorded approximately 22 percent turnout. In that race, Brian Kerns, former chief of staff to retiring GOP Rep. Ed Pease, beat Lafayette stock broker and community leader Bob Griffiths, by about 4,000 votes. Lebanon physician Alex Gatzimos came in third. "I was disappointed with the turnout," said Vigo County Republican Chairman David Lohr, who supported Kerns. "The big issue is voter apathy. The vote demonstrates the

grass-roots campaign Brian put together. Brian and his family were everywhere."

Kerns will be a heavy favorite in the fall, when he will face Vigo County Democrat Michael Graf, who pulled off an upset against Jeff Clapper. Clapper had state party backing. In fact, the Indiana Democratic headquarters didn't have a number for Graf's campaign on Wednesday morning.

Kerns survived a barrage of negative press. The weekend before the election, four former female Pease staffers accused Kerns of creating a negative atmosphere that drove them out of the office. They also said Kerns forced them to perform campaign work on government time. Kerns and Pease both denied the allegations. Kerns, whose father-in-law is former longtime Rep. John Myers, has worked for Pease since Pease was elected in 1996.

On election night, Kerns was philosophical about the controversy. "We just tried to be positive and constructive and carry our message forward. You have to keep your eye on the ball. We continued to campaign hard day in and day out. I had to trust that all the hard work we had done over the years and the people we knew would stand by us."

The major GOP candidates said that the nastiness that welled up in the race did not come from them. "Brian is a good and sincere person," said Gatzimos. "The candidates were ethical toward each other and our message was positive. We focused on what we could do for the voters."

The negativity emanated from candidates' advocates, according to the incumbent. "I do believe that many times in a campaign, the candidate can't have control over what people say and do, even their supporters," Pease told HPR. "The candidates in this race were people of honor and integrity."

Kerns, 42, credits his work as Pease's district office chief for his win. "My activity in the district ultimately made the difference because people knew

me." As of April 12, Kerns had raised more than \$118,000. Pease said he endorsed Kerns because of his staffer's knowledge of the congressional process. "Brian knows how things work out here. He knows the mechanics of how Congress operates and he knows the people who make it operate."

In the general election, Kerns will focus on taxes, education, and prescription drug coverage under Medicare.

## Bob Griffiths

Griffiths believed the momentum was shifting to him over the last three weeks of the campaign. But when it was time for voters to go to the polls, too few of them came out to put him over the top. He was struck by the lack of activity in Hendricks County on Tuesday. "The last thing a candidate wants to see is apathy among the voters," he said. "It's a growing trend. Maybe it's because of the good times. People are not compelled to come out and vote."

The low turnout denied Griffiths a victory, said Ruth Davidson, Tippecanoe County GOP chair and a Griffiths supporter. "If we had turned out 40 more votes in each (Tippecanoe) precinct, Bob would have been the candidate. That's manageable. A big question is how to motivate voters. If we had an answer to that, we'd be doing it."

Griffiths, 61, raised about \$85,000 from individuals and put \$100,000 of his own money into the race. He went up on TV in early March with a series of ads about his "conservative values." Kerns didn't go up until mid-April. But that head start on the airwaves wasn't enough. The campaign didn't get off the ground until Pease made a surprise retirement announcement on Jan. 15, one month before the filing deadline.

"Ninety days isn't enough time to run against three people," Griffiths said of Kerns, Pease and Myers. "The other personalities came into play."

Pease denies that he timed his

retirement to benefit Kerns. "To begin with, the decision was my decision. If there any people who tried to talk me out of it, it was my staff. It was a personal decision, which didn't crystallize until after the holidays."

Davidson doesn't seem to have peace of mind about Kerns. She said the allegation that came out against him is "part of the process. If you haven't done anything then there's nothing there. I know Bob didn't promote it."

Asked if she would support Kerns, she grudgingly allowed that, "As party chairman, that's my responsibility."

## Alex Gatzimos

Gatzimos looked at the bright side election night. He said the competition among Kerns, Griffiths, and him enlightened voters. "The level of discourse has improved and the issues have gotten much sharper in this campaign," he said. But Gatzimos also was drawn into an ethical whirlwind. His marital difficulties with his estranged wife came to the forefront in April, as did a dispute with Lebanon's Witham Memorial Hospital about admitting privileges. Gatzimos' wife placed a restraining order on him and accused him of stealing equipment from their shared practice.

"It's unfortunate that marital issues I thought were in the past had been brought up," Gatzimos said. Still, he was the race's wildcard, spending more than \$250,000 of his own money on a raft of television advertising and billboards.

The anti-Kerns vote may have been split between Gatzimos and Griffiths. "I believe his presence in the race and the amount of money he spent on the race had to distract more from Bob Griffiths than from Brian Kerns," said Griffiths.

But Gatzimos is proud that issues he raised-Medicare prescription coverage, equal opportunity in education, and agricultural reform-became part of the campaign discourse. "Republicans need to

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years and years and thousands and thousands of phone calls."

**ANDERSON WANTS IN ON GUIDE SUIT:** The city of Anderson wants to start talks with the state to become a part of the lawsuit against the Guide Corp. and Crown Environmental Group over the pollution of the White River (Ken de la Bastide, Anderson Herald Bulletin).

**COTTEY SAYS MERIT RULES DON'T APPLY TO HIM:** An expose by WTHR-TV's Jeremy Rogalski showed Marion County Sheriff Jack Cottey repeatedly drinking alcohol in the 10th Street Pub and the Old Point Tavern during March, then driving away in his county-owned car. The report detailed how Cottey had disciplined two deputies for consuming alcohol and driving their squad cars, which is against department rules. However, WTHR quoted sheriff corporate counsel Chris Siegel as saying that the merit rules don't apply to the sheriff, an elected official. Cottey told the Star that the report was "unbelievable" and added, "If I was in uniform or on sheriff's business, I would owe everybody an apology. But I was not on duty. I never drive drunk. But if I want to stop and have a drink with a friend, I'm gonna do it." Marion County Republican

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Chairman John Keeler called the report "a lot to do about nothing." WTHR quoted state MADD state chairwoman Loretta Ludek as saying, "I think Jack Cottey needs to clean up his act. He promotes our organization and for that we need to thank him, but it's difficult to say this is a person who has done so much good, but he's not living it." In Friday's Star, Ludek seemed to backpedal, saying, "It's like I feel they ... had no proof of things. Things certainly look bad, but there wasn't any proof. I don't think he has broken any laws."

**MOTOR VOTERS CREATE PROBLEMS:** The Motor Voter Law made it easy for people to register to vote, but it has created problems for leaders of both major parties (John Walker, Shelbyville News). Problems include people whose names have changed through marriage or divorce often are listed twice and those who no longer live in the community are still listed as active voters. Party officials are no longer allowed to go through voter rolls and purge names.



come out of the corporate boardroom and into the real world, where we can show working families what we can do for them," he said. Gatzimos said he will help GOP gubernatorial nominee David McIntosh this fall.

### Kevin Kellems

In the most stunning upset of the night, anti-abortion activist Michael Bailey defeated Kevin Shaw Kellems, a former aide to Sen. Richard Lugar, by an 1,182 vote margin in another low turnout race. Bailey, who again ran television ads that focus on abortion, won the Republican nomination in 1992, but lost in the next three races before winning again Tuesday. A fall matchup between Kellems and incumbent Democratic Rep. Baron Hill had the potential to be a marquee contest. Now the district will probably fall off the national radar, with Hill being the heavy favorite despite assertions by Indiana Republican Chairman Mike McDaniel that Bailey is viable.

"The bottom line is that any first time candidate has his work cut out for him in a district this big," said Kellems, who had raised about \$100,000. "It just added up to too many places where they didn't know me or hadn't even learned my name." The district sprawls across 6,700 square miles and contains 21 counties.

Kellems said he ran well in the counties he targeted—Harrison, Floyd, Jefferson, and Clark. "We were on the right track for victory in the fall, but underestimated the name ID deficit in areas where Bailey enjoyed a significant advantage by having run four times. The clock ran out in terms of introducing myself in other areas."

Bailey, who raised \$38,000, was strongest in the part of the region where Republican Jean Leising, a state representative and former 9th CD candidate is running for re-election. Those areas included Franklin county, northern Ripley and northern Dearborn counties. "It appears I did not have support from her based on the numbers." Kellems said some advisers

told him to go negative against Bailey, but he resisted. "I chose not to because I thought the Republican candidate should have as unified a base as possible to run in the fall," he said. Republican sources tell HPR that Kellems was warned not to take Bailey lightly. His campaign ended with about \$100,000 cash on hand.

Kellems was the target of negative campaigning by Hill, he said. Kellems claims Hill was behind a flap over Kellems' residency. An article in a Capitol Hill newspaper last week said Kellems had improperly taken a homestead exemption on a property he once owned in Indianapolis while using a Madison residence as his voting address. The Marion County auditor said Kellems did nothing wrong and that the exemption shouldn't have been processed. Kellems is repaying the \$1,400 exemption.

"If you are a voter in one of the outlying counties and the first thing you read about a candidate is a misleading and factually incorrect story, that's not the best way to start a conversation," Kellems said. "It's clear that Baron Hill preferred to run against Michael Bailey rather than me." Hill's spokeswoman has repeatedly denied that Hill's office was the source of the information for the property tax story.

### Michael Bailey

When Bailey was contacted by WIBC Election Night, the first thing he said was "I'm speechless!" He had figured earlier in the evening he had lost, until the station called him. Then he castigated HPR's Brian Howey and WIBC's Eric Berman for being "ignorant" in asking him about being a "one-issue candidate."

Bailey quickly launched into a diatribe. "It is God almighty who blesses nations or curses them. If we continue to murder children, God will punish us."

By Wednesday, the once hot 9th CD was being relegated to the leftover plate, Hill had a huge reprieve, and Indiana Republicans may have lost their best chance for a Congressional seat pickup. ❖



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