

CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEERS WARM BODIES OR DYNAMIC * MINDS?

IN ALMOST EVERY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN, THE VOLUNTEERS ARE THE WALKING BODIES; THEY DO WHAT THEY'RE TOLD -- BY THE NUMBERS. SOMEONE IN THE CAMPAIGN'S HIGHER ECHELONS MAKES THE DECISIONS. VOLUNTEERS FOLLOW ORDERS. THEY DELIVER THE HANDBILLS DOOR-TO-DOOR; THEY ADDRESS ENVELOPES; AND THEY GO HOME WHEN IT'S OVER.

CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEERS ARE GENERALLY ATTRACTED AND HELD TO SERVICE BY THE PERSONAL CHARM OF THE CANDIDATE. OR SOMETIMES, THEY WORK BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE THE CANDIDATE IS MOVING IN SOME NECESSARY DIRECTION.

HOWEVER NO ONE EVER ASKS THE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP DETERMINE THAT DIRECTION.

THE ELECTION PROCESS IS A TWO-WAY STREET...

IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, A CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE LEARNS AS WELL AS TEACHES. THE CITIZENS HAVE AS MUCH TO OFFER AS THE POLITICIAN. IN THE DAY-TO-DAY EXPERIENCE, INFORMATION, AND DESIRES THEY POSSESS, THEY HELP STRIKE A BALANCE WITH THE SERVICES AND INFORMATION BEING OFFERED BY THE OFFICESEEKER.

THIS ISN'T TO SAY THAT A CANDIDATE SHOULD PANDER TO THE WHIMS OF THE MOB. RATHER, WHEN THE PEOPLE SPEAK, THEY ARE GIVING THEIR INDICATIONS OF HOW MUCH THEY WANT IN THE WAY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT (OR STATE, OR FEDERAL). AND, THOSE SEEKING OFFICE NEED TO LISTEN.

THE MOST IMPORTANT SOURCE OF INFORMATION ON BOTH CAMPAIGN DIRECTIONS AND ISSUES IS PROBABLY THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO ADD THEIR OWN STRENGTHS TO THE ELECTION PROCESS -- THE VOLUNTEERS.

INTELLIGENT VOLUNTEERS

RON WYLIE'S CAMPAIGN FOR THE LEGISLATURE (DISTRICT 29) ENCOMPASSES THE IDEA OF VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION IN DECISION-MAKING. IT IS PART OF THE CANDIDATE'S PERSONAL PHILOSOPHY OF PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY.

EACH VOLUNTEER, WHILE ASSIGNED TO WORK IN A GROUP, IS GIVEN, AT THE SAME TIME, AN INDIVIDUAL AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. IN THIS PERSONAL AREA A VOLUNTEER IS ENCOURAGED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS TOWARD CAMPAIGN GOALS WITH ALL THE INDEPENDENT CREATIVE STRENGTH AND ABILITY AVAILABLE TO THE INDIVIDUAL.

AND, WEEKLY ISSUES FORUMS AT THE CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS WILL ALLOW EACH VOLUNTEER TO PRESENT ARGUMENTS AND CORROBORATING RESEARCH TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CANDIDATE'S DECLARATIONS ON THE ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE ELECTION.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE THE DIRECTION OF STATE GOVERNMENT; IF YOU HAVE BOTH A BODY AND A MIND TO SHARE IN THE CAMPAIGN EFFORT; IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE AN IMPORTANT INDIVIDUAL IN A VERY TOUGH ELECTION, THEN RON WYLIE NEEDS YOU TO HELP.

AND CONSIDER: IF PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY (THROUGH THIS VOLUNTEER PLAN) IS GOING TO WORK, PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND WITH MANY VARYING BACKGROUNDS AND EXPERIENCES ARE NECESSARY TO MAKE IT WORK.

THIS YEAR IN THE 29TH DISTRICT YOUR EFFORT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IF YOU HAVE A NEED TO BE NEEDED, RON WYLIE NEEDS YOU.



ISSUES IN '76

- 1) Federal Agency Infringement of Nebraska's Sovereignty
- 2) State Agency Performance Auditing
- 3) Legislative Style
- 4) Tax Exemption

I AM NOT A POLITICIAN. I DO NOT HAVE THE LOOKS, CHARM, INSTINCTS OR THE AFFABLE MANNER. I LACK THE POLITICIAN'S COMMANDING PRESENCE AND I HAVE NO NEED OF BEING UNIVERSALLY LOVED. SO, WITH ALL THAT, THERE'S ONE MORE THING I DON'T HAVE: THE NEED TO PLAY A "STATE SENATOR" ROLE.

AWKWARD POLITICIAN I MAY BE, BUT I'M GOOD "LEGISLATOR" MATERIAL. I SET HIGH PRIORITIES ON INVESTIGATION AND RESEARCH IN POLICY-MAKING. I'M DISTRUSTFUL OF STATE AGENCY EXPLANATIONS AND OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES STATED MOTIVATIONS. I AM A QUESTIONER.

I DON'T MIND HARD WORK OR HARD LOOKS. AND, I BELIEVE THAT ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES ARE SUPPOSED TO BE "PUBLIC SERVANTS". *Ron Wylie*

VOLUNTEERS MEETING WYLIE '76 COMMITTEE



**SUNDAY APRIL 4
1:30 P.M.**

**48TH & NORMAL BLVD.
(2400 S. 48TH ST.)**

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