



Meet Steve Newsome

Meet Steve Newsome Thursday, June 7 beginning at 7 p.m.



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Join members of the LGBT community and allies for an event supporting Newsome for State

Representative. The event will be held at the home of Scott Knox, 2311 Fairview Avenue in Clifton Heights.

Suggested donations of \$50; host committee levels of \$100, \$250 and \$500 welcome.

The host committee members are Scott Knox, Karen Aronoff-Holtmeier and Vicky Holtmeier, Chris Seelbach, Denise Driehaus, Tim Burke, PG Sittenfeld, Ed Mullen with

Equality Ohio, Matt Murray, Ron Hirth and Steve Simile, Eric Wyne, Nick Puncer, Rawnica Dillingham and Melissa Brandon, David Pepper, Matt Murray, Cathy Sarky, Michael Chanak and Freeman Durham

Mickey says yes to same sex marriage?

JUST days after US President Barack Obama came out in favor of same-sex marriage, another supporter has emerged in Japan: Mickey Mouse.

Despite their having no legal status, same-sex couples are able to hold fairytale wedding ceremonies at hotels inside the popular Tokyo Disney Resort, including at the Cinderella Castle, a company spokeswoman said.

News of the unions

came to light when Koyuki Higashi, 27, enquired about marrying her female partner at the resort.

A member of staff who answered the call said there would be no problem with their marrying, provided they dressed “like a man and a woman.”

LGBT people support Obama

The Gay and Lesbian Community ranks as one of the most important parts of President Obama's campaign-finance operation.

The campaign has hosted a slew of events targeted at Gay donors, from intimate dinners to extravagant galas. Wealthy Gay business executives and philanthropists fill the ranks of Obama's top bundlers. Twenty-one prominent Gay individuals

and couples raised a total of at least \$7.4 million for the president's reelection through the end of March.

Romney, GOP urged to use marriage as “weapon”

Social conservatives and evangelical leaders want Mitt Romney and the Republican party to be more aggressive in using President Barack Obama's position on marriage equality against him.

“I think what you see is a very potent weapon if you will for Gov. Romney if he is willing to step up and take advantage of a president who is very much out of touch with the values of America,” said Rick Santorum.

Tony Perkins, president of the Family Research

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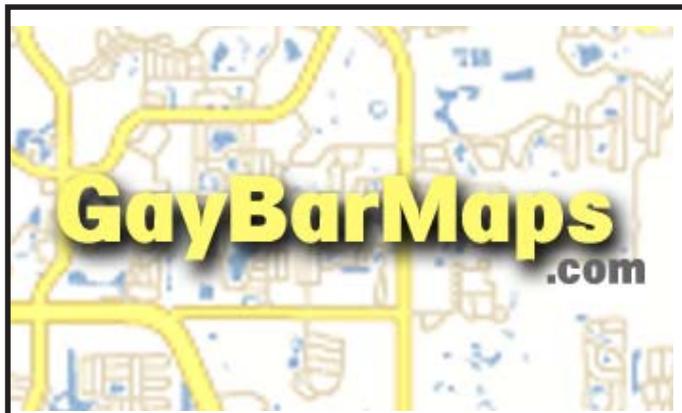
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Wealth—from Page 2 Council, said the GOP was mistaken in its attempt to treat the issue as merely a distraction.

Presbytery rejects censure of Rev. Spahr

The Rev. Jane Adams Spahr went to San Anselmo, California on Tuesday to receive a public rebuking from the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. for performing same-sex weddings, but wound up being exalted by her fellow church members instead — and making a little history in the process.

The punishment was supposed to be meted out, under church rules, by the monthly assembly of the regional Presbytery of the Redwoods formally accepting a national report detailing the censure. But instead, amid clapping, tears and emotional tributes to Spahr, the assembly voted overwhelmingly to reject the punishment.

Gay will not be judge

Virginia’s Republican-controlled House rejected the judicial nomination of a

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 Gay Richmond prosecutor early Tuesday morning, plunging the critical swing state into the middle of the national debate about the civil rights of Gay Americans.

The prosecutor, Tracy Thorne-Begland, a former fighter pilot and Navy officer, failed to garner the majority of the 100-member House of Delegates that was required to secure the judgeship. Lawmakers in the House of Delegates voted 33 to 31 to support him, with 10 abstentions.

The vote, which took place after 1 a.m., after a

number of delegates had already gone home, took lawmakers by surprise.

Bomb threats against LGBT organizations

Several GLBT advocacy groups, including the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), evacuated their Washington D.C. headquarters after an unspecified bomb threat Tuesday .

Police warned the organizations—HRC, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the National Black Justice Coalition and the Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network—of a threat against a

“national gay rights organization,” **Metro Weekly** reported.

They got the all-clear around 1 p.m. and were able to return to their buildings.

It’s the first time the Human Rights Campaign, a prominent lobbying group known for its popular equal sign logo, has had to evacuate their offices due to a bomb threat, the site said.

HRC spent nearly \$1 million rallying for same-sex marriage in New York and continues to lobby for marriage equality as well as workplace rights, stronger penalties for hate crimes and anti-Gay bullying programs.

Log Cabin Republicans attack Obama for his stand on Gay Marriage

To defend their claim to a smidgen of space in the GOP's ideological pup tent, the Log Cabin Republicans -- a Gay and Lesbian group -- are attacking Barack Obama for doing what Mitt Romney won't: say he supports same-sex marriage.

Under other circumstances, the president's statement might have moved the group to respond with high praise. Gay marriage, is after all, a top Log Cabin goal. But in this political silly season, rational behavior is the first casualty.



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