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After the recent midterm elections, the ever-continuous process of elections continues as many candidates are preparing for a possible presidential bid in 2008. There are many Republican candidates that are considering running, but right now, it appears the front runners are Rudy Giuliani, Mitt Romney, and John McCain.

The former Mayor of New York City, Giuliani, recently took the first step in a campaign when he formed an exploratory committee and filed with the Federal Elections Commission. Giuliani is revered for the incredible leadership he demonstrated immediately

after the terrorist attacks on 9/11. The only weak spot it seems is that Giuliani has few established stances on national issues going into the campaign.

Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney is also expected to make a run for the White House. He has shown an ability to be elected in a heavily Democratic environment, which could be an invaluable asset heading into 2008. A question in Romney's ability to be elected is whether southern evangelical voters can accept a Mormon as president.

The Senior Senator from Arizona John McCain appears to be the front-runner in most polls thus far. He has a bi-

partisan appeal that could attract the independent voters. His notoriety as a former prisoner of war could give him an edge if he must be inaugurated as a wartime president. The single concern is if McCain is Republican enough to be elected in the primary by traditionally more conservative voters.

In the time between now and the '08 primaries, many other candidates will likely enter the race and many others will drop out. In the mean time, Republicans will engage in many debates over the legitimacy and merits of each candidacy. The only question is, will the candidate the American people choose be strong enough to keep the White House in GOP hands?

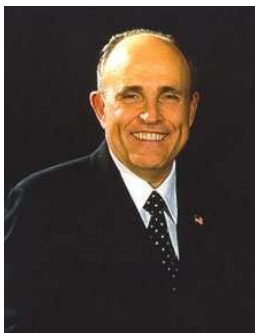


Gearing up for '08

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Giuliani Takes Step towards Presidential bid for 2008

Written by: Sarah Zucco



Former Mayor of New York Rudy Giuliani may run for presidency in the next election of 2008

Rudy Giuliani, former mayor of New York City, took his first step toward a presidential bid in 2008 by forming an exploratory committee. It is not official if Giuliani will end up running in 2008, but the necessary legal steps are being taken to raise money if Giuliani does run for the presidency in 2008. Representative Duncan Hunter of California was the only other Republican to form an exploratory

committee for the upcoming presidential election. So far only one Democrat, Ohio governor Tom Vilsack, has formed an exploratory committee. Giuliani is considered a moderate Republican who has been praised for his service during the terror attacks that affected New York City on September 11th. He supports gun control, same-sex civil unions, embryonic stem cell research, and abortion rites.

Giuliani's stance on these issues could put him at odds with the majority of the Republican Party. Giuliani could be up against fellow republicans, Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney, Senator Bill Frist of Tennessee, Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee, and New York Governor George Pataki.

Information was obtained at: <http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,229152,00.html>

Interning at the Healey Headquarters

Written by: Emily Reeves



Lt. Governor Kerry Healey lost the Gubernatorial election last Tuesday



“My philosophy of life is that if we make up our minds what we are going to make of our lives, then work hard toward that goal, we never lose- somehow we win out”

~ Ronald Reagan

As both an intern at the Healey/Hillman headquarters and a new member of the Boston College Republicans, I had a unique perspective to the gubernatorial campaign. I had high expectations for Kerry Healey’s campaign. In my interview for the internship, I was told not that it was important for Kerry Healey to win, but rather, that it was important for the Republican Party to win. From the start, it was a party struggle, fighting to maintain Republican representation in the overwhelmingly Democratic Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and my high expectations for our party, despite the growing pessimism of the polls.

Each day when I came in, I took a glance at the giant countdown in the main office. I remember seeing it

around the 90-day mark, and before I knew it, the number had dwindled down to single digits. I knew this to be an electoral milestone in Massachusetts politics, and yet I expected more anxiety from the volunteers. I expected more frantic racing about the office. I expected more enthusiasm, more optimism, and dozens more volunteers. I overheard someone say that when Mitt Romney was running for reelection four years ago, volunteers lined up at the doors to help out with his campaign. Unfortunately, I never saw a line of volunteers. My expectations of an energetic campaign did not seem to be achieved.

I am not making a critique of the gubernatorial campaign. While these expectations were not met, it does not discourage me, and her electoral loss should not

discourage the BC Republicans. Instead, this should serve as motivation for our future. As young adults, have the energy that political campaigns demand, and we should continue to make and exceed our own expectations. In two years, we must influence others with our high expectations, and our cumulative efforts will produce successful Republican candidates in 2008. May we continue to have these high expectations, and may they continue to be perpetuated by our energy as BC Republicans.



Democrat Deval Patrick will be the new Governor of MA

Club Information and Upcoming Events

On Monday, October 13th there was a general meeting in Gasson 305 to discuss current campus issues, the elections, and upcoming events. You can find the meeting minutes on our website, www.bc.edu/republicans. We are still waiting on the club t-shirts to arrive and will let you know as soon as they are in. Thank you for your patience.

The *Support Our Troops Gala* is happening on November 30th at 6pm in

the Yawkey Function Room! We are incredibly excited and believe this will be a huge success. The Benefit dinner will raise money for a phenomenal charity, U.S.O, and we have invited Colonel David Hunt to be our keynote speaker. The events will consist of a catered dinner, keynote address by Col. Hunt, recognition of our guests of honor who have served in the military, and even gifts for all in attendance. Only 160 tickets are being sold, so get them fast! *Tickets are on sale*

now at Robsham, \$25.

To volunteer to help out with the planning and setup of the gala, please contact Tracy Danner at dannert@bc.edu.

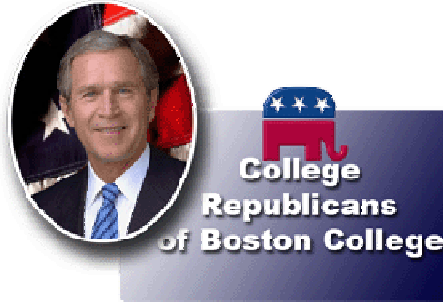
For questions about club information and upcoming events, contact Amanda Short at shortab@bc.edu.

Watch for more information about upcoming events in future newsletters.



Other Events for College Republicans

The Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) will be March 1st - 3rd. Check out the website www.cpac.org. Registration is \$15 before November 17th. For more information please contact Amanda Short, shortab@bc.edu.



Internships and Jobs Available

Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) has several internships available for 2006 (and beyond). This is a great opportunity for undergraduates and graduate students with a strong interest in tax reform and economic policy. The deadline for spring applications is December 1st and the deadline for summer applications is April 1st. (Note: this internship is located in Washington, DC). To apply, contact Stacie L. Smith at slsmith@atr.org.

"We have to secure out borders and have a policy we can control"

- MA Governor
Mitt Romney



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