

Celebrity's son in 8th district race

By SUSAN L. SILK
OAKLAND COUNTY — He may be "John" to his dad, but he will be J. Lou Gordon, Republican candidate for the State Senate 8th District, to the voters.
The younger 22-year-old Gordon, accompanied by his television talk-show celebrity father, Lou Gordon, was among seven candidates to file for that senate race Tuesday.
The newly-drawn 8th district includes Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Rochester, Troy and the townships of Avon, Bloomfield, Oakland, Southfield, West Bloomfield and other more northerly townships.

GORDON'S Republican Party opponents in the nominating race include Weldon O. Yeager, of Bloomfield Hills; incumbent Sen. Donald E. Bishop of Rochester and Warren G. Harding of Oxford.
Three Democrats have also filed for the race, including Donald C. Crawford of Lake Orion; Thomas L. Werth of Rochester, and Douglas Womack of Troy.

Gordon, the candidate, earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan in speech and communication. At present he is a television producer for the Jerry Lewis Telethon, he said.
"But if I don't win election I'll be unemployed," Gordon said.

HAVING GROWN UP "in a political atmosphere" complete with current events quizzes conducted by his father, John Gordon, said that politics for him is a natural result.
Gordon's decision to run for the primary nomination in the Republican Party came only Monday afternoon, he said.

"I realized that from those who would be running the people were not being offered an adequate alternative," Gordon said.
His main qualification — "I'm honest and we have to have integrity," Gordon said.

THE CANDIDATE admits to no prior political background and only a \$1,000 loan from his father to begin the financing of his campaign.

But, Gordon added, he intends to contact family friends in the district to keep the political machine greased.

One of the main reasons Gordon entered the race rather than waiting a few more years was because of recent allegations made about one of his opponents, Sen. Bishop.

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At the filing deadline of 4 p.m. Tuesday, the Oakland County residents intending to appear on the August 6th ballot were: 46th District Court Judge S. James Clark, of Southfield; Bernard L. Kaufman, of West Bloomfield; Michael J. Kelly, of Bloomfield; Myron F. Poe, of Royal Oak, and Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Farrell E. Roberts of Bloomfield Hills.

The other candidates include:

Candidates to speak

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An article in the June 13 edition, about a boating accident, incorrectly described a beach on Wing Lake as a public beach. It is a private beach.

charge Bishop stalled pending credit and lending legislation which would affect banking institutions while serving as an official on the board of a Rochester bank, Gordon said.

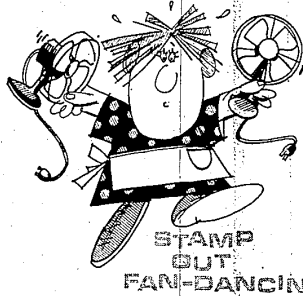
"I don't have any of those commitments, I don't owe favors to anyone," Gordon said.
The candidate "really isn't sure of what the issues are" and is planning to take his campaign to the people to make those determinations, he said.

Admittedly, Gordon said, his running as a Republican in the 8th state senate district, is a politically expedient decision for that geographic area.
"I'm basically a real, true, middle of the road," Gordon said.

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