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Neil Clark Bryan Gray Larry Householder Jay Edwards UC Brian UC Vinny Bartender

Abbreviations:

Unintelligible UI
Inaudible IA
Phonetic PH
Overlapping Voices OV

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UC Brian: So do you go to work for these guys when elections times come? Back them, support

them?

Householder: I run the races.

UC Brian: You run them for them, do you? On your own, or is that a part of your--?

Householder: We have a team. I put the team together. Run the races. Raise most of the money.

UC Brian: Yeah. And then that's up and comers?

Householder: Hmm?

UC Brian: They up and comers?

Householder: Yeah, yeah. And I recruit the shit out of them.

UC Brian: I was going to say, do you (UI)?

Householder: I, I recruit the hell out of them.

UC Brian: Do you?

Householder: Yeah. Most people, people they, when I was Speaker before. I was Speaker from '01

before we got term limits in Ohio. Term limits (UI) legislature. Uh, we've got right now, we've got, uh, two of my former recruits are statewide officials, Husted the Lt. Governor and Faber who's the, the Auditor of State. And, uh, they quit recruiting when I left.

UC Brian: Okay.

Householder: It takes too much time. It's picking the winners and losers. And that's, you know, most

politicians.

UC Brian: Right.

Householder: Some pick winners and losers.

UC Brian: Right.

Householder: Um, so things got pretty shitty around here. We had some real fucking assholes and some

bums...

UC Brian: Really?

Householder: ...in the legislature. So I came back...

UC Brian: Okay.

Householder: ...and recruited again.

UC Brian: Started over.

Householder: And (UI) Speaker and recruited a bunch of good guys.

UC Brian: Yeah.

Householder: And here we are.

UC Brian: Young guys.

Householder: Mm-hmm. And I got another round coming up here soon, another, another round of good

recruits coming in.

UC Brian: Younger than these guys?

Householder: Yeah.

UC Brian: Really? Damn. Can you get much younger than that?

Householder: Uh--

UC Brian: I think we must be just getting old. (Laughter)

Householder: Twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight.

UC Brian: God, that's young, man.

Householder: It is young.

UC Vinny: You're just mad you're getting old.

UC Brian: I, I am having a hard time with that. (UI) I'm having a hard time with it.

Householder: I could be their dads.

UC Brian: Oh yeah, sure you could. And you probably are, in a sense, if you think about it. (UI)

Probably.

UC Vinny: (IA) were born in the nineties, right? I guarantee they were born in the nineties, right?

Householder: Oh yeah. Oh yeah.

UC Brian: Nineties, shit.

UC Vinny: Right.

UC Brian: I still feel like I'm living in the nineties.

UC Vinny: Still dress it too.

UC Brian: I know, I know. I got these nice glasses though. I have to have them. I can't see without

them.

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