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## ***MVETR INITIATIVE WON'T BE ON BALLOT THIS YEAR!***

*Inadequate Volunteer Numbers And Inability To Hire Petitioning Firms Causes Excom To Discontinue MVETR Project; But Experience Can Make ETR A Good LP Outreach Tool*

*Reported by Marv Rudin*

On May 4th, at the regular monthly LPSCC Excom meeting, after a lengthy discussion on the problems of contracting and managing to get the needed signed and valid petitions using a paid petitioning firm, an up or down vote was taken on whether or not to continue the Mt. View Energy Tax Rollback, and the decision surprisingly was to discontinue.

Although the Excom members have not explained the exact reasons for their votes, the main reasons can be found in some of their email and meeting discussion preceding the vote. (Editors note: interested readers can delve into the fairly lengthy record of that discussion by clicking on: <http://www.lpty.org/mvetrmay.html>.)

### **SUMMARY OF MVETR SAGA**



Dennis Umphress worked mightily to line up reliable paid petition firm but time ran out

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Much of the MVETR saga has been covered in the March and April newsletters and will be not be repeated here excepting a summary, as follows. A four page Article in the April 2002 Santa Clara Libertarian newsletter showed the exemplary effort put in by a few of our LPSCC members, but also the large shortfall in volunteers needed to accomplish an energy tax revolt per the one-day blitz method demonstrated by LPC Chair Aaron Starr and Executive Director David Molony in two towns in Southern California. It told how, when it was clear there weren't going to be close to enough volunteers to gather the needed number of signed petitions, Chair Ray Strong decided to try to do it with money by hiring a paid petitioning firm. And it described the special noon meeting he called on April 24th, where the Excom voted to authorize up to

\$3000 to pay for the about 1000 signed petitions still needed to ensure getting the initiative on the ballot.

### **PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN MAY**

Not covered in the previous SCL issues was the unfinished story of problems encountered after April in trying to hire paid petitioners for the small number of signatures needed for a tax initiative falling under the provisions established in the California code by Prop. 218. It's ironic that the very reason such initiatives are within the reach of our local LP regions is also the reason it's difficult to hire paid petitioners. The signed petition requirement is just 5% of the subject district's gubernatorial vote in the last election, rather than 10% of ALL eligible voters (if 40% voted in the last election, petitions needed for a tax initiative would be 1/5th what would be needed for a non tax initiative!). In Mt. View the number needed this year is 981. Petition firms looked down their nose at such a low number. According our MVETR contact person, Dennis Umphress, an expert told him such firms want 2000 mini-

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# The Mountain View Windfall Energy Tax Rebate Will Have to Wait for Another Day

Written by Ray Strong



Ray Strong, Chair

On May 4, the Executive Committee of the Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County voted to terminate our Operation Energy Tax Rollback in Mountain View. The alternative was to begin spending increasingly large amounts of money on a shrinking chance of success. It was a very difficult choice because we had been committed to the goal and had put a great deal into it. I am disappointed with this outcome and I am sure most Libertarians and many Mountain View residents will be too.

Experience is the other kind of success — the one that isn't flashy or showy. We have learned an enormous amount about everything from the seriously ambiguous state of election law to the mechanics of petition drives to the relevant demographics of Mountain View. More important, we have learned more about our own current strengths and weaknesses. Even more important, we have learned we have the ability to succeed at major projects that will make a difference. Our immediate goal was 1500 raw signatures in order to obtain 981 valid signatures of voters registered in Mountain View. The count as of May 3 was 540 raw signatures. What we have is a failure to operate at the necessary scale to produce the goal by our May 13 deadline. Our backup plan to hire a professional petitioning firm failed because our goal was too small to attract the professional organizations with experience and we were stuck dealing with apparently inexperienced people who gave us no plan for success and wanted to be paid in advance!

The original plan for Mountain View was based on successful petition drives in other small California communities. The idea was to recruit enough volunteers to accomplish the petition drive in one day. Mountain View is significantly larger than any of the communities where this approach has succeeded. The estimate was that sixty volunteers would be needed. Appealing to our local LP membership and to that of our neighboring counties, we were only able to produce 20 volunteers during the first week of activity. The relatively transient demographics in Mountain View require a different set of petitioning techniques than those that worked in other communities. The first weekend was a learning experience, where we tried different techniques until we settled on those that worked. With what we know now and seventy-five volunteers, we could easily accomplish our goal in one day. We don't know how to recruit 75 volunteers from our membership, even if we include our base of registered Libertarians, especially when the petition circulators (at least one in each team of signature gatherers) need to be registered in Mountain View. To be more accurate, we don't know how to recruit the team of recruiters needed to reach and convince that many people who are willing and able to actively petition. The scale is wrong for our size.

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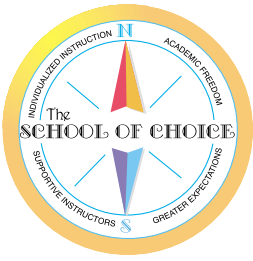
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The scaling problem only applies to the short intense effort, not to a longer effort spread out over months. But by the time we had done sufficient homework on whether this particular initiative would receive general voter support, we had only one month left for actual signature gathering. With our new experience, we now know that this kind of project cannot be undertaken in the short intense mode at this scale. Next time we try something of this magnitude, we will have a plan based on our abilities and available resources. And there will be a next time. If we had never tried anything like this, we wouldn't have any way of estimating our capabilities. In this case we have learned a great deal about what we can accomplish as well as what we can't.

I want to thank everyone who took part in any aspect of this effort. As a result, we exposed thousands of residents of Mountain View and the surrounding communities to an idea for preventing a windfall tax. The residents were receptive to the idea and signed the petition at about the 66% rate predicted by our telephone polling. They asked and were told that the petition was sponsored by the Libertarian Party. As part of a general effort to position the LP as the source of good ideas for curing the ills of current local government, our efforts have contributed to advancing our cause.

I have hopes of returning to Mountain View and other relatively small communities with similar projects, designed to fit our abilities. Before this project, our planning was based on significantly less information. Please keep in mind that we were not defeated by the City Government. We just took on a task that didn't fit our abilities. Initiatives like the one we tried, can be put on the ballot and they can pass. We have significant ability to accomplish these tasks. Now we know more about how to apply our strengths.



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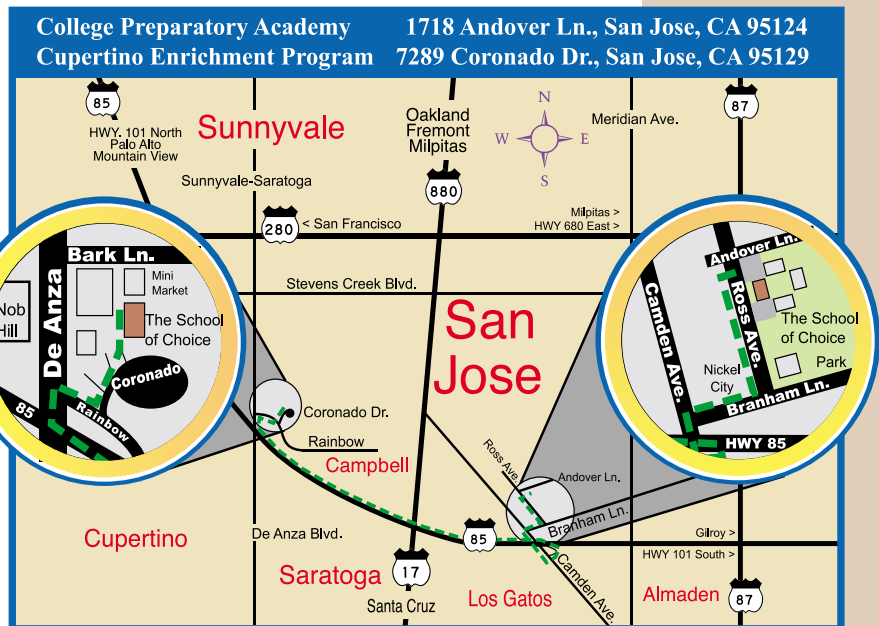
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# SCHOOL OF CHOICE HEAD ROBERT ARNE JOINS LP

Reported by Marv Rudin

Robert Arne, founder, owner and schoolmaster of the independent private school for ambitious students in San Jose, "School of Choice," has decided to make it official and has registered as a Libertarian. Arne represented the Libertarian position at the Home Schoolers Defense League's Political Debate at Santa Clara University in December of 1999 (See story in SCL News) He said "I've always been a small L libertarian - an advocate of personal freedom and responsibility and I want children to have the opportunity to get a classical education and be exposed to all points of view."



Robert Arne  
Joins LP

Several years ago, after witnessing the socialist brainwashing and poor education he saw offered in the public schools as a high school teacher in San Jose, Arne and his wife, Suzanne, also a public school teacher at the time, ventured forth to offer an effective alternative to parents dissatisfied with government schools. They first offered after school courses to augment the limited offerings of the public schools. But more recently they have leased public school buildings and are offering a full alternative curriculum for college preparation (see ad on page 3).

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## LPC EXAMPLE - BELLFLOWER - HALF THE PETITIONS & 3 TIMES THE VOLUNTEERS

Last year LPC chair Aaron Starr cleverly saw that the low petition number needed because of prop 218 might make it feasible to gather a bunch of Libertarians from surrounding areas and hold a one-day petition "blitz" on a small city having an energy tax, and getting windfall taxes from increased energy prices. The first city selected was Bellflower in the Los Angeles megalopolis, which had a requirement of about 500 petitions - about half that needed in Mt. View. And it had Libertarian Bellflower ex-mayor, Art Olivier, plus Aaron and full time LPC Executive Director David Molony and his office staff all available to recruit volunteers. The net result was 50 volunteers from four regions got the necessary signatures in one day. Paid petitioners were never a consideration. (Editors note: they had problems with the city bureaucrats, who managed to reject the petitions on a technicality, and force the volunteers to completely repeat their one-day feat on another day. And it appears that they've found still another technicality that will require legal wrangling and expenses - oh how bureaucrats hate to give up tax money :-))

After their apparent success in Bellflower, Aaron and David Molony were searching for Libertarians around the state to lead an ETR, and recruited Steve Prestrelski to do an ETR in Mt. View. But in proposing the Mt. View ETR, they apparently either underestimated their recruiting clout or overestimated the LPSCC's, and ignored the much greater number of petitions needed in Mt. View. Perhaps if they'd got on their long distance lines and worked as hard soliciting volunteers for Mt. View as they did in Bellflower they'd have managed to line up 50 volunteers here. But even that wouldn't have been enough to get the larger number of petitions needed by Mt. View signed, at least not in one day. They said this was a way for the LPC regions to demonstrate the ability to achieve political success despite our numbers, and to thereby encourage members and prospective members by scoring a political win for a change. But they seem to have ignored the numbers and engaged in a bit of wishful thinking. And by so doing may have caused the opposite effect by inspiring a big effort that fell short and may leave discouragement in its wake.

## FROM THIS EXPERIENCE LPSCC CAN LEARN TO USE INITIATIVE PETITIONING AS A TOOL

Hopefully discouragement will not prevail because what was learned probably can be used in any of three ways - (1) select a smaller city with an energy tax (e.g. Gilroy) using the same number of volunteers; (2) Start earlier with more phone solicitors to recruit a much larger number of volunteers from all sympathetic populations - including registered Libertarians, citizens who poll against the tax, and members of taxpayers associations; (3) Rather than a one-day "blitz" use a slow-but-sure approach by recruiting a dozen or so volunteers to set up portable poster-tables to get petitions signed and hand out LP literature at market malls and other busy sites during their spare time a little at a time over several months to capitalize on the initiative as a means of gaining rapport to introduce people to the LP as well as put the ETR on the ballot.

# PARTY MEETINGS

Stories about local Libertarians getting together to discuss and, debate issues, and/or vote on official party

## JULY 11 QUARTERLY MEETING AT THE FISH MARKET THIS TIME

Reported by Marv Rudin

Like fresh fish? Our Activities Chair has found a new, more up scale venue for the next LPSCC quarterly business meeting. He reports "I had gone around to a number of places and I've settled on the Fish Market on Blossom Hill Dr. in San Jose. I don't like the idea of our Business meetings hopping around from place to place, but given that I've been trying to find a more 'upscale' location for us, and still have a reasonable price point, it seems to have been a problem.

I think that search is over. The manager at the Fish Market informed me that we can have 25 to 40 people in their separate room, and that they will be happy to take orders from people that night - that we do not have to have orders submitted. And there are no accessibility problems.

Additionally, the pricing of items on the menu can go from modest (\$12.00) to exorbitant (\$36.00) at the whim of the person making the order. If this location works out, I'd like to see it become a regular location. ■



Activities Chair  
Zander Collier



Fish Market is at 1007 Blossom Hill Road  
(Near Almaden Expressway & 85 freeway)  
No-host Cocktails; 6:30 Dinner 7:00 pm  
Convention Business 7:15 pm - 9:30 pm

## MAY EXCOM MEETING TOTALLY ABOUT MVETR

Reported by Marv Rudin

With a deadline of all signatures to be submitted to the City Of Mountain View within 9 days, what to do about contracting for paid MVETR petitioners occupied the meeting from the beginning.

At the opening, Marv Rudin asked for and was granted 10 minutes to present an alternative approach to getting tax initiatives on small city ballots that would be less expensive and gain a much better public presence for the LPSCC than using paid petitioners. He then described how outreach with poster-tables tested at the DMV in '99 and at market-malls in '00, could be combined synergistically with petitioning over the several months between filing and submission of the petitions. He said the method would be the opposite of a "petitioning blitz." - He said it would be a slow but sure approach with repeated appearances of volunteers at local market-malls, with posters and handouts "imprinting" the LP name and ideas, and a poster explaining the initiative so petitioners wouldn't have to. Mike Laursen said he liked the latter feature after experiencing the extra time and energy it took to explain the MVETR to voters. Rudin said he'd solve the biggest challenge by committing to getting at least 10 volunteers to man the poster-tables repeatedly over a several month period, pointing out he'd demonstrated an ability to do something similar by enlisting 25 previously inactive Libertarians to man the LPSCC booth over 10-days at the '98 Santa Clara County fair.

The meeting then entered into discussion of the problems faced in contracting with a paid petitioner lined up by Dennis Umphress. It covered such matters as the risk of paying in advance and possibility of using progress payments each day, and how to ensure that petitioners would meet the requirement of being Mt. View residents, the possibility of having LP Mt. View residents available as volunteers to sign the petitions as solicitors and how to coordinate it. Nearing ending time of 12 noon, and with Umphress scheduled to meet at 12 noon with the paid petitioner he'd lined up, Chair Ray Strong decided to ask for a vote on whether to continue the MVETR campaign. With several active MVETR participants present it appeared it would be a kind of vote of confidence, but surprisingly the vote without the chair's vote was 3 to 1 against continuing, with 2 abstentions. Apparently the discussion indicated to those voting against that the cost, the risk, the uncertainty, and the rewards didn't appear to be worth it, especially if in the future the approach proposed at the start of the meeting could accomplish more without the frantic activity of the current campaign.

The meeting closed with Chair Ray Strong saying that the next meeting would be dedicated to "brainstorming" ideas for growth, and cautioned against criticism of ideas at that stage so as not to inhibit participants. ■

## ***LIBERTARIAN ALLEN RICE APPOINTED TO \$429 MILLION S.J. SCHOOL BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE***

Reported by Marv Rudin

Congratulations to Allen Rice for getting appointed to the "Citizens Bond Oversight Committee" in San Jose. He reports that "As of Thursday, 5/16, I have been appointed (with 12 others) to monitor the expenditure of the funds to be raised from Measure F which was passed last March 5." (Editors note: Measure F was a San Jose Unified School District bond that passed 69.3% to 30.7%; it authorized an amount of \$429 million "to construct, acquire, repair and equip classrooms, libraries, and improve safety of school facilities.") Rice continued, "This is a small wedge into the halls of power, but in a socially very significant area. I have some ideas of how it might be used, which I'd like to discuss with those who are interested."

San Jose Libertarians, here is your chance to affect government use of your tax money via your Libertarian comrade Allen. Hopefully you'll get in touch with him and try to help him to detect some useful issues that will both get the party's viewpoint out to the public and conserve public funds being thrown at the educational establishment with little in results to show for it. Details about Measure F and Allen Rice's contact information are available at the LPSCC backed web site put up by Joe Dehn at <http://www.votenoof.org/>. ■

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## ***S.J. BLIGHT ORDINANCE VOTE SEEN AS OPPORTUNITY***

Reported by Marv Rudin

San Jose has a blight ordinance which lets the bureaucrats and neighbors become the "style and taste police" for an owner's property, is a blight on individual freedom and anathema as far as Libertarian principles are concerned. If it is frequently enforced, it may honk off a lot of owners, and make them aware of how fragile freedom has become, and ripe for going Libertarian. A revised version was due for a vote by the S.J. City Council, and Libertarian Allen Rice saw this as an opportunity. He wrote to LPSCC members: "The San Jose City Council is considering passage of a "blight ordinance", which will give the power to tell us all what our front yards are "allowed" to look like. The final hearing for the ordinance is 7:00 PM Tuesday June 11. I am organizing an action for that night, with the dual purpose of speaking against this incredible power grab AND to increase public awareness of the party. A very few things are needed to pull this off, but they are essential:

- 1) At least 5 people willing to speak, preferably San Jose residents.. Speeches are limited to 2 minutes maximum, and they can be read from notes. I can provide speeches on the topic for those who do not have their own ;
- 2) An audience, to applaud, etc. in all the right spots;
- 3) At least one banner, preferably with a slogan, with the Santa Clara LP name on it;
- 4) Two people to hold the banner;
- 5) Organization and Planning. As a minimum, we need the 5 speakers. If we get those, or more, we'll have a meeting this coming weekend, probably Saturday the 8th, to go over the process." ■

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## ***LIGHTFOOT WINS COMPETITION WITH HINKLE AND WAGENER FOR 2003 LPC CONVENTION CONTRACT***

**Will Be Held At The Ontario Marriott Hotel February 15 Thru 17, 2003**

Reported by Marv Rudin

A proposal by Ex LPC Chair Mark Hinkle for the LPSCC to host the 2003 LPC Convention lost in a close vote to a proposal by well known LPC activist, Secretary of State candidate, and former LPC Chair Gail Lightfoot. Hinkle's bid, was authorized by the LPSCC Excom at its meeting of April 6th contingent on its final approval by mail ballot. At the time of the May 4 vote by the LPC, the vote had not been taken by the LPSCC Excom, but if accepted by the LPC, it undoubtedly would have been taken. Lightfoot said her bid was the only one that had a full plan and a commitment by the hotel (Ontario Marriott) to the convention and to special room rates. The Ontario Marriott just happened to also be the site of the LPC meeting to decide on convention bids. According to Lightfoot the Hinkle bid, which was for holding the convention at the Fremont Marriott, had no hotel commitment to the convention or to special room rates. Their were 3 proposals - Lightfoot's, Hinkle's, and B.J. Wagener's (who ran the 2002 convention) - and the vote for their proposals was 9, 6, and 0 respectively.

Hinkle said it may be just as well he lost this time, because 2004 will be a presidential election year, and there probably will be a higher level of interest then. So, he said, he'll try for the same venue in 2004. ■



Mark Hinkle  
Loses bid

# OPINIONS

*Share your thoughts on making our party more successful and advancing the individual freedom with responsibility movement*

## THE SLOW BUT SURE WAY TO USE OUR ANTI-TAX INITIATIVES

### Instead Of One Big Petition Blitz, Try Multiple Petitioning Sallies Over Many Months In Conjunction With Portable LP-Outreach Poster-Tables

Proposed by Marv Rudin

Before it was decided to discontinue the MVETR at the April Excom meeting, knowing that it would clearly fail due to insufficient petitioners, I presented an alternative that occurred to me when I awoke that morning. I said the idea was to improve efficiency and to avoid the last minute crisis and pressure encountered with the MVETR by capitalizing on past tests at the DMV in 1999, and at market malls (a shopping mall that features a super market) in 2000. By combining that kind of outreach promoting the party using posters and literature handout, with the new opportunity made possible by the much reduced petitioning needed under Prop 118 - just 5% of the last gubernatorial vote in a district (otherwise it would be 10% of all registered voters!) We would get a double benefit.

The DMV and Mkt-mall tests were described in the SCL Newsletters in May of 1999 (DMV), and July and August of 2000 (both Mkt-mall), which are available to the reader on the web at <http://www.lpty.org/scnews> .

The proposed project that would capitalize on the MVETR and the aforementioned DMV/Mkt-mall experience, I'll call "COAP" (Continuous Outreach And Petitioning) for short. Here are some of the characteristics and benefits that may help to "flesh it out" in the readers mind:

(a) PPS STATIONS: The COAP personal portable stations (PPS) will consist of a 2' x 6' fold-up table (to 2' x 3", plus 2 or 3 posters, 1 poster selling the initiative, and 1 or 2 selling the LP, plus LP handout literature - an inexpensive card or brochure, registration forms, plus maybe some Libertarian brochures and books atop the table for "window dressing" and possibly, if individual volunteers want, an OPH chart to give publicly visible quiz results (It was tried at the DMV and very few passers-took time to take the quiz; and the OPH chart blocks out visibility of a poster.). The photo accompanying this proposal shows the prototype PPS used for the test. It used two hand made posters. More impressive computer generated posters will be used for the COAP PPS's.

(b) CUSTODIANS: A dozen or more volunteers scattered around the area to be solicited would hold the PPS's in their garages or homes (they take up little floor space, as they store on edge and nearly flat - about 3" thick). This is most efficient because it enables them to go out and set up the PPS at the nearest market mall whenever they have a spare hour or two, with no need to coordinate with anyone, unless they want to have company and have a close comrade willing to be on short call. The volunteers with PPS's would also act as "PPS custodians", meaning they would have them available for loan to other volunteers for the COAP project or just doing LPSCC outreach .

(c) COST: The cost of the PPS's would be about \$300 (\$40 per table and \$80 per professionally printed weather proof poster once an effective poster message has been established by tests, plus incidentals). Initially non-durable test posters will be made at little or no cost by me, using Jascha's printer and printing out 8-1/2 x 11 tiled sheets, trimming them to fit and assembling the posters on boards donated by member Bob Moloney in 2000. So allowing say \$300 for the final PPS's to include handout cards/flyers, a dozen PPS's would cost under \$4000.

(d) COORDINATION: All volunteer outings on the COAP project would be tracked but not necessarily controlled

(e) VOLUNTEERS: The author is committed to designing and making/procuring the PPS's and to enlisting at least 10 PPS volunteers, but not to recruiting the initiative manager(s). But anyone willing to take this on - which involves getting the initiative written, submitting it to the target city clerk, and later submitting the signed petitions - please contact me at 408-736-5626.



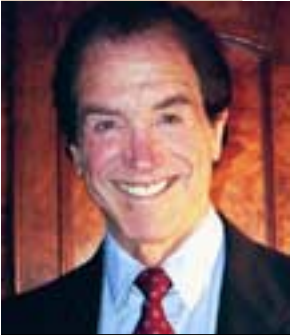
Dan Weisberg with PPS prototype and LIFE cards in hand at Longs Drugs during market-mall test conducted in July of 2000

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## BEST WAY TO TRY FOR LPSCC GROWTH

Written by M. B. Rudin



Marvin B. Rudin, Editor

Our Activities Chair, Zander Collier, often complains that no road map exists from past experience to guide new members of the Excom. Well I've spent 5 years studying the local party with an eye toward finding a way to get much faster growth, and along the way have collected and published information on the results of various tests - see file on web at <http://www.lpty.org/outreach-test-results.html>. That experience has provided some insight that I'd like to pass on regarding what probably would be the best approach to trying to attain rapid growth, so without explanation, let me enumerate the policies that I believe should be followed. Questions if any as to the rationale for these policies, are welcome.

1. The Excom should seek the most efficient growth projects in terms of both time and money.
2. Registration growth should be the primary objective. This is not obvious to many party members, so I'll make an exception and explain here. It is much more expensive to attempt to recruit dues paying members and donors from the general public, than to recruit new LP registrants; but after identification of Libertarians by their act of registering, it is not difficult to get 5% to 10% of them to become dues paying members and donors. Since 1997, when UMP - the Unified Membership Plan was agreed to, it became the national party's duty to do that job, and therefore it should be considered a secondary and not a primary duty of the LPSCC; gaining registrants should be the LPSCC's primary growth objective because none of the two higher organizational levels is focussed on it, although it is absolutely essential.
3. Programs proposed for publicizing the LP and for gaining new LP registrants should always be tested first on as small a scale as possible to conserve time and money, and only the programs getting the best results should be continued and expanded.
4. The Excom should not itself propose growth project ideas as a body; it should only support the project with funds, approbation, suggestions and critiques, encouragement, and help recruiting volunteers for the project.
5. Non Excom members running and working a project is ideal, but individuals on the Excom who are willing to put in significant personal time to perform a project may propose it.
6. Polling is an efficient way to learn (a) what is working to get new registrants, (b) how well the LP is known to the public, (c) what Libertarians are willing to do to help the cause; (d) whether proposed initiatives are favored by the public. ■

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## LET'S RESURRECT PAST SUCCESS - GUN SHOW OUTREACH!

Written by Marv Rudin

Gun Shows at the SCC Fair Grounds in San Jose have been the LPSCC's most successful boothing events because gun freedom advocates often lean Libertarian. The space has been given us free, and many new registrants and much exposure has been produced. But inexplicably, the LPSCC has not been present at the last three gun shows in San Jose. In 2001, Jason McClelland volunteered to take over from Travis Jones, who'd successfully done several gun shows in conjunction with Zander Collier. and manage them, but unfortunately he couldn't follow through when he got insufficient volunteers or support, including being unable to get the materials Travis had at his home. Something needs to be done to get these events activated again. The next gun show in San Jose coming June 8th and 9th (see TS Gun Shows schedule by clicking on: <http://www.tsgunshows.com/schedule.htm>) is again not scheduled to have a Libertarian table. If you want the party to grow this is one way you can to help make it happen, and it only comes up every two or three months. ■

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Finally, I want to report that we are as committed as ever to our general goal of growing the Libertarian Party in Santa Clara County. We are maybe a little more able. And we will keep making mistakes and learning until we get it right.

With warmest personal regards to those who worked and those who cheered us on.

Ray Strong, Chair  
Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County



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