

CLIPboard  
Colorado Libertarian Party  
Monthly Newsletter - June, 1988

\* ----- Calendar ----- \*

6/4-5 - People's Fair in Denver. Volunteers needed (especially Sunday) for the Burger booth and David Aitken's campaign booth. Please call the office, Charlie Stogsdill (burgers) or David Aitken today. Or drop by - the burger booth is just east of the intersection of 14th and Bannock; the information booth is just west of Broadway across from the Capitol.

2nd Wednesday - Board Meeting and Cocktail Party. At Victoria Mason's, 1270 Logan #8, (Carriage house behind main building, look for blue light) in Denver on June 8th. Board meeting starts at 6:30; cocktail party at 7:30. It's potluck; please bring some chips/dip or veggies to munch on. Need directions? Call Victoria at 831-1620.

6/11 - Colorado Union of Taxpayers holds its annual breakfast at the Huddle Restaurant, I-25 and 104th, Northglenn - 9am sharp! Call 987-6024 for reservations. Guest of honor is Congressman Hank Brown.

6/18 - Utah state convention in Salt Lake City; call the office for details.

\* ----- CLP Elects New Officers ----- \*

A new board of directors of the CLP was selected at the recently concluded state convention. Three of the members are new to the board; Two are returning to serve additional terms. All were elected by unanimous consent. Phone numbers are in the contacts section.

Chair	Mary Lind	11401 WCR 74, Eaton, Co 80615
Membership	Jon Baraga	123 S Emerson, Denver, Co 80209
Communications	Ron Bain	P.O. Box 522, Delta, Co 81416
Campaigns	Dave Daniels	85 S Grant #11, Denver, Co 80209
Finance	David Aitken	1240 Ogden #4, Denver, Co 80218

\* ----- Convention News ----- \*

Attendance at the Colorado, Wyoming and Alaska 1988 Joint Convention of the Libertarian Party peaked when Libertarian Presidential candidate Ron Paul addressed the group of approximately 80 attendees at the Fort Collins convention. Paul's speech followed presentations by Russell Means, former candidate for the 1988 LP presidential nomination and founder of the Freedom is for Everyone organization, and

Walter Block, Austrian economist and former candidate for the LP vice presidential nomination. The combined convention for the three state parties was held over the Memorial Day weekend at the University Park Holiday Inn, hosted by Mary Margaret Glennie and boasting about 50 registrants. Paul, who earned the LP presidential nomination at the national convention in Seattle last year, noted that national debate on whether or not to legalize drugs indicated wider public acceptance of discussion of such libertarian proposals. Paul said he thought an appearance he planned in the near future before the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws would be timely due to the attention the news media has paid to the issue recently. Alternative medicine for the elderly or AIDS patients is another related issue on which the media is beginning to discuss the libertarian alternative, Paul observed. Concerning his stance on hard money, Paul clarified his position by saying he did not favor a return to the 19th century gold standard with which people are familiar. Rather, he advocated a return to the Constitutional provisions for the minting of money. Paul predicted he would do well in November in Alaska, Utah, Wyoming and Montana, and said he was most likely to win electoral votes in Alaska.

Former director of the American Indian Movement Means said he had just returned from a stumping tour of that state that had proved both exciting and disappointing. Means had accompanied vice presidential nominee Andre Marrou on the tour of the district Marrou had represented as an Alaskan state legislator, where he said response from the media and public was fantastic...except in Marrou's former hometown. Means uttered a call for action and an end to perennial debate and fine tuning of the party stance on issues. Instead, the Native American activist recommended that Libertarians seek appointments to local boards and commissions where they can implement their stances on issues.

Block, a longstanding Libertarian who holds a doctorate in Austrian economics and who directs the Fraser Institute, spoke about his book "Defending the Undefendable," which argues that people typically denigrated by society - such as pimps, drug dealers, and slanderers - are defensible because they are exercising rights that fit Libertarian precepts, so long as they are not violent. Block also explained the differences between libertarianism and objectivism, and between Austrian and the Chicagoan economics, and spoke on the privatization of roads and highways.

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\* ----- By-Laws Changes ----- \*

The Party voted to change the by-laws to accept registered Libertarian voters of the State of Colorado as members. Membership may also be obtained by filling out the application forms and paying such fees designated by the Board.

Application by voter registration may be made by 1) a signed affidavit, or 2) a letter of affirmation, postmarked, or hand-delivered to a Board member, 45 days prior to the State Convention.

Board members may now send an alternate delegate to the board meeting if they are unable to attend.

The proposal to change the party affiliates statement of principles requirements was defeated.

No other proposals came before the convention.

\* ----- Ballot Access in Serious Trouble ----- \*

At its first Board meeting, the new board of directors agreed that the ballot access drive to put Ron Paul on the ballot was in serious difficulty. Only about 650 of the 5000 signatures needed have been received by Bill Fargo, ballot access coordinator. Since the deadline is August 2nd, and because we need to collect 10,000 signatures to insure that we will have enough valid signatures, we need to collect about 170 per day. There is money available to pay petitioners and your help is urgently needed. Please call Bill Fargo at the office, 837-9393.

\* ----- 1989 Convention ----- \*

Mary Margaret Glennie made a bid for the 1989 State Convention which included having Leon Leow as the featured speaker. No other bids were forthcoming and the Party accepted Ms. Glennie's bid. Leon Leow is the author of a widely read book on apartheid.

\* ----- Ron Paul Action Item ----- \*

If you'd like to see Ron Paul, LP Presidential candidate, on the MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour, please write them at 356 W 58th Street, New York, NY 10019.

\* ----- Heid Joins LP; Will Run for 1st Cong. ----- \*

Robin Heid, a resident of Denver's Capitol Hill area and until recently a Republican candidate for the 1st Congressional district, has joined the Libertarian Party and will seek to oust Pat Schroeder. A number of Republicans have agreed to support Heid's campaign. This campaign may necessitate a legal challenge to the Secretary of State regarding party membership rules.

\* ----- Thanks! ----- \*

Victoria Mason thanks Penn Pfiffner for taking minutes during the business portion of the convention. The board thanks Victoria for managing the discussion on Constitution and By-Laws changes.

Stan Larson, Kate Barriteau, Mike Zink, Bill Fargo, Doug Anderson, and David Aitken folded, stapled, and labeled last month's CLIPboard. Neal Lafon printed it.

Special thanks to Robert Jahelka, Bucky Carr, Gerald Hatch, David Van Trevron, West Edell, Grace Reed, and Ken Riggs for their efforts in soliciting signatures to put Ron Paul on the ballot. Please join these dedicated libertarians and participate in the ballot drive. Call Bill Fargo at the office, 837-9393.

New or renewed members: Richard Grimes, Daniel Brockway, Mary Lind, Victoria Mason, Dan Nibbelink, Jim Glennie, Mary Margaret Glennie, George Callan, Michelle Mahaffey, David Goodrich, Charles Moore.

New Monthly Pledgers - Geoffrey Lloyd, Brian Holthouse.

Donations - John Walker.

Dave Aitken would also like to thank Bucky Carr, Victoria Mason, Michelle Mahaffey, and Bud Hall for assembling about 1500 of his campaign brochure packets during the convention.

\* ----- Fort Collins Libertarians Win One! ----- \*

Activists in the Fort Collins area were instrumental in defeating a property tax increase. Congratulations!

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\* ----- TANSTAAFL ----- \*

We all know that "There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch"! And that applies to the CLP as well. This newsletter and the literature we send to people promoting libertarian ideas cost money for printing and postage. If it's been a while since you've made a contribution, please consider donating a few bucks to help defray expenses. Make your check payable to the Colorado Libertarian Party, and mail it to 720 E. 18th Avenue, Suite 309, Denver, Co 80203. Thanks.

\_\_\_\_ I'd like to become a (or renew) dues-paying member. Here's my \$25.00 donation.

\_\_\_\_ Yes! I'd like to support the Party! Here's my one-time contribution of \_\_\_\_ to help pay for the newsletter and literature to reach new libertarians.

\* ----- Want to Help the Movement? - Here's How ----- \*

1. Register to vote as a Libertarian. Contact your county clerk or election official.

2. Write letters to the editor. It's simple and easy. Short letters on subjects of current interest are most apt to get published.

3. Go to city council, local government, or neighborhood group meetings in your area and speak out on whatever concerns you.

4. Get appointed to a local board or commission. There are several available in every community. Time requirements are usually minimal. Contact your county clerk or city manager's office.

5. Distribute literature to your neighbors. Call the office to find out what literature is available.

6. Form a city or county organization to pursue libertarian goals. There's strength in numbers.

7. Run for office - anything from dogcatcher to President. Winning is nice, so pick something you and your group can reasonably cope with.

8. Help with the grunt work - staffing fair booths,

folding, stapling, and labeling newsletters and campaign literature, petitioning, etc. Call the office at 837-9393.

9. Become an expert on one issue so people in your community will turn to you for advice.

10. Become one of the CLP board members - Party Chairman, Campaigns, Communications, Membership, or Finance Chairman. Yes, it's work, but you'll meet new people and gain new skills, all in the cause of liberty. It's worth it.

11. Become a dues-paying member of the CLP. It's just \$25 per year. We use it for campaigns, literature, printing, office rent, phone, and postage. TANSTAAFL! (There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch!)

12. Become a monthly pledger of any amount of 3 dollars or more. You'll get a newsy letter from the Finance Chairman each month and the satisfaction of making a significant contribution to the libertarian movement.

13. Make a one-time contribution to the party. Every little bit helps, even if it's only two dollars.

14. If you've got other ways of helping the movement, please let us know and we'll print them here.

\* ----- 1988 Campaigns Announced or Active ----- \*

The following candidates were ratified by the 1988 Convention.

Candidate	Office	Status	Phone
David Aitken	State Rep Dist 6 - Denver	Active	831-4334
Geoffrey Lloyd	RTD Dist A - Denver	Announced	733-7962
Robin Heid	US Cong. 1st Dist	Announced	
Dan Nibbelink	State Rep Dist 25 - Golden	Announced	

\* ----- Get Your Hair Cut; Help the CLP ----- \*

One of our new members, Richard Grimes, is offering to donate 50 percent of his proceeds from his beauty shop when any libertarian uses his services. Richard is near downtown Denver, and can be reached at 832-2753.

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\* ----- Party Officers and Contacts ----- \*

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Jon Baraga, Membership	722-1626
David Daniels, Campaigns	733-7757
Ron Bain, Communications	323-6853
P.O. Box 522, Delta, Co 81416	
David Aitken, Finance	831-4334
Party Office,	
720 E. 18Th Ave., Suite 309, Denver 80203	837-9393
Mesa County Liberty (Grand Junction Area)	243-1088
Bill Robinson, Ron Paul Coordinator	756-6601
Penn Pfiffner, National Committee Contact	427-4357
Charles Stogsdill, Burger Booth Coordinator	755-6879

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