

The Presidential Convention
NEWSLETTER

1975 LIBERTARIAN PARTY NATIONAL CONVENTION

4th Edition

WE'RE GOING TO SHAKE THIS TOWN TO ITS CORE!

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WELCOME TO THE BIG APPLE !!



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SCHEDULE

*More detailed information is contained in the Convention Book

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

OIL AND POLITICS

8:00-11:00 PM

Play Penn

Panel: Moderator, Joseph Peden; Murray N. Rothbard; Dennis Turner; John Hagel

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

PLATFORM COMMITTEE, Open Hearings	9:00 AM-12:00 M	Georgian Room
CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS & RULES COMMITTEE	9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Pennsylvania Room
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, hearings	9:00 AM-12:00 M	Cornell Room
—ACTION #1: CAMPAIGN MANAGEMENT	9:00 AM-10:45 AM	Washington Room
—ACTION #2: CAMPAIGNS & CANDIDATES	10:45 AM-12:30 PM	Washington Room
FREE LUNCH #1: THE GOLD STANDARD	12:30 PM-1:30 PM	Dartmouth Room
—ACTION #3A: FUNDRAISING	1:30 PM-3:15 PM	Washington Room
ACTION #3B: PUBLIC SPEAKING	1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Dartmouth Room
—ACTION #4A: BALLOT DRIVES, PETITIONING	3:15 PM-5:00 PM	Washington Room
Action #4B: PUBLIC SPEAKING	3:15 PM-4:15 PM	Dartmouth Room
GREAT AVERAGE WORKING PERSON'S ECONOMIC CONFERENCE	8:00 PM-11:00 PM	The Play Penn
Practical tips for average folk, including Bob Steiner on taxes, Greg Clark on gold coins, plus panel - David Friedman, Charles Blood, Henry Wojtyla on future prospects.		

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

PLATFORM COMMITTEE hearings	9:00 AM-9:00 PM	Georgian Room
CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS & RULES COMMITTEE	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Pennsylvania Room
—ACTION #5: NEWSLETTERS	9:00 AM-10:45 AM	Washington Room
—ACTION #6: CAMPUS ORGANIZING	10:45 AM-12:30 PM	Washington Room
FREE LUNCH #2: CONGRESSIONAL AIDES	12:30 PM-1:30 PM	Cornell Room
—ACTION #7A: ORGANIZING & ACTION	1:30 PM-3:15 PM	Washington Room
ACTION #7B: AUDIO-VISUAL TECHNIQUES	1:30 PM-3:15 PM	Dartmouth Room
—ACTION #8A: COMMUNICATIONS	3:15 PM-5:00 PM	Washington Room
ACTION #8B: LIBERTARIAN BOOKSTORES	3:15 PM-5:00 PM	Dartmouth Room
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING	6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Dartmouth Room
BUS TOUR OF MANHATTAN	6:00 PM-9:00 PM	(meet in Play Penn)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

BREAKFAST SERIES: DAVID FRIEDMAN 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Georgian Room
"An Appreciation of Nozick's 'Anarchy, State & Utopia'." Breakfast at 7:30 AM.

FIRST GENERAL SESSION 9:00 AM-12:00 N Grand Ballroom
Welcomes by Gary Greenberg, Edward H. Crane, III; Remarks by David Nolan.
Keynote Address by Dr. John Hospers: A BILL OF GOODS
NEW YORK HAPPENING: A multi-media welcome to the Big Apple
Credentials, Agenda, Rules: Reports, Debate and Adoption by Convention

FREE LUNCH #3A: EDUCATION PANEL 12:00 N-1:00 PM Pennsylvania Room

FREE LUNCH #3B: CHILDS ON LEGALIZING DRUGS 12:00 N-1:00 PM Cornell-Dartmouth

SECOND GENERAL SESSION 1:00 PM-5:00 PM Grand Ballroom
THE FREEDOM SEEKERS, PART I: *The Ancients* (a multi-media series)
Platform report and debate

RECEPTION FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES 5:00 PM-7:00 PM Georgian Room

THIRD GENERAL SESSION 8:00 PM-12:00 M Grand Ballroom
THE FREEDOM SEEKERS, PART II: *The Revolutionaries*
Platform debate continues

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

BREAKFAST SERIES: D.T. ARMENTANO 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Georgian Room
Topic to be announced. Breakfast at 7:30 AM.

FOURTH GENERAL SESSION
THE FREEDOM SEEKERS, PART III: *The Enlightened Ones*
Platform debate continues

FREE LUNCH #4: FEMINISM PANEL 12:00 N-1:00 PM

FIFTH GENERAL SESSION 1:00 PM-6:00 PM Grand Ballroom
THE FREEDOM SEEKERS, PART IV: *The Outspoken Ones*
Platform debate continues

SIXTH GENERAL SESSION 8:00 PM-12:00 M Grand Ballroom
PATRICK HENRY SPEECH, performed by Marshall Bruce Evoy
Conclusion of platform debate

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

BREAKFAST SERIES: MARK TIER 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Georgian Room
An Australian libertarian talks about their new Party. Breakfast at 7:30 AM.

SEVENTH GENERAL SESSION 9:00 AM-12:00 N Grand Ballroom
THE FREEDOM SEEKERS, PART V: *The Activists*
Nominations and balloting for Presidential nominee
ACCEPTANCE SPEECH BY 1976 LP PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

FREE LUNCH #5: LIBERTARIAN FOLKSONGS 12:00 N-1:00 PM Play Penn

EIGHTH GENERAL SESSION 1:00 PM-5:00 PM Grand Ballroom
Nominations and balloting for Vice Presidential nominee
ACCEPTANCE SPEECH BY 1976 LP VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE
Constitution & Bylaws report and debate

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 {contd}

PERSONAL PROMOTION OF LIBERTARIANISM 5:00 PM-7:00 PM Georgian Room
Suggestions and discussion by Lee Edwards, author of *You Can Make A Difference*.

"TRASH" 9:00 PM Terrace Ballroom
A new libertarianish musical satire in one longish act.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

BREAKFAST SERIES: JEFFREY ST. JOHN 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Georgian Room
"American vs French Revolution: Which Way For The West?" Breakfast at 7:30 AM.

NINTH GENERAL SESSION 9:00 AM-12:00 N Grand Ballroom
WE WON'T GET FOOLED AGAIN, multi-media presentation by S.I.L.
Nomination and election of LP Officers and Members At-Large

FREE LUNCH #6: ARBITRATION 12:00 N-1:00 PM Pennsylvania Room

REGIONAL CAUCUSES ~~7 in Georgian Foyer~~ 12:00 N-1:00 PM various rooms

TENTH GENERAL SESSION 1:00 PM-5:00 PM Grand Ballroom
Unfinished business; new business; adjourn Convention.

TAX STRIKE SEMINAR 5:00 PM-7:00 PM Georgian Room
A panel featuring Karl Bray, Hank Hohenstein, and James Dale Davidson.

GRAND BANQUET *Regional Caucus Reg 7* 8:00 PM-11:00 PM *Delaware Room*
Penn Top Room

Banquet Address by Dr. Murray Rothbard: *THE ROAD TO VICTORY*
Musical Entertainment by: Chi Chi Navarro, Jean Preece, Steve & Ellie

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 9:00 AM-6:00 PM Washington Room

CONVENTION INFORMATION

HEADQUARTERS.....Hartford Room
REGISTRATION.....Cleveland Room
DELEGATES LOUNGE.....West Room
PRESS HEADQUARTERS.....East Room
BALLOT STRATEGY.....St. Louis Room

Daily Convention Newsletter available each morning at Soap Box in Exhibit Area.

Subway tokens & maps at Headquarters

Single tickets and packages sold at Headquarters.

Convention Manager is Charles Blood; Convention Coordinator is Marc Travis.

WHO TO SEE FOR WHAT

Personal Accommodations.....Linda O. Blood
Tickets/Refunds.....Ray Strong
Exhibits.....Mike Nichols
Jobs for Tickets.....go to Headquarters
Press.....Laura Wertheimer/
David Grant
Caucus Rooms, etc.....Fran Youngstein
Printing Services.....Sandy Feld
Rental of Soap Box.....go to Headquarters
Parliamentary Procedure....Ailsa Thompson
Crash Space.....Dennis Schuman
Technical Requirements....Warren Doswell

The Exhibit Hall will be open each day from about 8:30 AM to about 10:00 PM. Located in the center of the Hall is the SOAP BOX where, among other things, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, some of New York's finest street musicians will perform for your enjoyment (see article page 8).

J.A.P SHOPPING TOUR*

OR How to Look Like Jackie O When the Only O You've Got Is The Total In Your Bank Account

by Fran Youngstein

There are only two places to shop in NYC if you're a JAP*. They are Bloomingdales and Loehmanns. To avoid playing favorites, I will discuss them in alphabetical order.

Bloomies, as we say, occupies the block from 59th to 60th Sts between Lexington and Third Avenues. It is the home of the East Side Chic and list prices. Nobody, but Nobody oversells Bloomingdales. A Saturday afternoon walk through Bloomies is a study in the NY social order. There are couples arm in arm looking over the uni-sex denims (a lot of the couples are uni-sex too). Harry's Bar specializes in the correct cosmetics for the gay set. The fifth floor, with Barbara D'Arcy's model rooms and the most beautiful and exorbitantly-priced furniture you've ever seen, is the place for newlyweds with rich relatives. The basement (or lower levels as they are discretely named) attracts the younger set and those who can only afford to pay \$15 for a cotten tee shirt. The Third Floor is where tee shirts have Calvin Klein on the sleeve and \$30 on the price tag.

If you wish to get the latest style, you have to go to Bloomies. Their styles are so far ahead, you run the risk of wearing something before it's "in" which can be even more disasterous than after it's "out." If you're behind style, people will at least think you were right sometime, but if you're ahead, you'll just look outlandish.

To be a true East Side swinger requires Bloomies' indian print sheets and towels which read "Voulez-vous couchez avec moi c'est soir?." If your style is more blatant, you can pick up one of the "Sexual Therapy Available - Inquire Within" tee shirts on sale in the basement.

Switching to the other end of the spectrum there is Loehmanns, the bargain hunter's dream. Loehmanns was originally started by a little old lady in Brooklyn. Her sons have spread it into 2 other boroughs, the suburbs and as far away as Atlanta, Georgia. Since I grew up with the one in the Bronx and consider it to be the best, that's the one I'll write about.

To get to Loehmanns one first takes off all good jewelry and heads for the Lexington Ave. IRT subway. Approximately 45 minutes later the #4 Woodlawn-Jerome express train will deposit you at Fordham Road directly in front of the doors. Here you enter a world of slumming Park Avenue matrons mixing with their maids in a large communal dressing room. The curtains never seem to adequately close and the stares of husband and boyfriends waiting outside are part of the hazards of the trip. Loehmanns specializes in clothes with labels cut out, though a saleslady can clue you into the Halstons and Calvin Kleins. Dresses generally start around \$10 (though I've bought some for as low as \$3) and proceed upward through 2, 3, and even (in the back room) 4 digits.

There are some rules for shopping Loehmanns: (1) Buy it when you see it. Bathing suits in January, fur coats in May, one never knows when they'll have what. (2) Look it over carefully. NOTHING is returnable. Not all clothes are in perfect condition - the worst have AS IS tags. (3) Try on your own size and the one larger and smaller. You never know by how it's marked. (4) Get the saleslady on your side. She'll find you some gems that were buried somewhere. (5) Loehmanns takes checks (with 3 pieces of identification) and cash. NO CHARGES. If you live off your charge accounts, it's not for you.

Loehmanns is the place I go when I'm desperate for a lot of clothes and extremely broke. However, don't expect to see me wearing any of the things I've bought at Loehmanns. If you ask me where I bought what I've got on, the answer is, "BLOOMINGDALES!"

SHOPPING AT MACY'S

by Penny Jennings

Macy's bargain basement is one of the largest in the U.S. There are super buys in costume jewelry, pocketbooks and excellent infant sleepwear. The main floor has practically every cosmetic name brand in existence, and an excellent Drug and Card department. There are some good buys in womens' blouses and body suits and off-brand nylons, but you have to look carefully.

The Misses department on the second floor has record bargain sales on blouses and tops, as well as designer clothes. The Junior department on the 3rd floor has constant sales on slacks and tops, and in the fall there are outrageous markdowns in swimwear.

The white sale on irregular sheets (6th floor) is the best bargain around, as much as 50% off original price only because of a small flaw in otherwise excellent name brand sheets. This floor also boasts one of the best Needlepoint departments around, with many design canvases to choose from, and classes available for beginners to advanced in knitting, crochet, needlepoint, etc. Men are welcome.

Don't fail to browse the Gourmet department on the 8th floor and the Meat department on the main floor. Very good, very tempting, and expensive. The lines are long, but definitely worth it. Good hunting!!

SIN CITY

by Rev. Martin E. Nixon, D.D.

Tense after an 18-hour Bylaws marathon? Upset over Platform fist fights? Then relax in the fleshpots of New York!

Within a short distance of the hotel can be found anything you could possibly desire in the way of carnal pleasure. To become acquainted with the delights of 'Fun City' you can take the following "victimless-crimes" walking tour. From the front of the Statler Hilton a stroll up Seventh Avenue will bring you to world-famous Times Square - where you can see the lights and the sights. Then proceed along 42nd street, taking in a number of 'adult' bookstores, the many porno movie houses - some featuring live strippers. For those with particular tastes there can be some cruising in the second balcony of the Lyric Theater. At Eighth Avenue turn the corner and walk right into a genuine - repeat genuine - massage parlor: the 8th Avenue Leisure Spa - which is next door to another strip joint. Further along (between 45th & 46th Streets) you can visit three movie houses: Eros I, Eros II and the Capri. The first-mentioned features 'gay' oriented porno, the last two 'straight' hard-core. Right across the street, on the other side of 8th, you can pay a visit to The Gilded Grape - a renowned establishment that includes, among its patrons, genuine transvestites who are available for the evening at a price. Or one can stroll over to Tenth Avenue to visit the well-known filles du pavée (they literally stand in the street waving down passing cars). From 10th and 42nd it is only a short ride on the M-16 bus back to the hotel.

The Big Apple is just waiting for you!

DINING IN NEW YORK

by David Bernstein

Manhattan's Yellow Pages contains 36 pages of restaurant listings, with one page devoted to French places beginning with le or la. This article will save your fingers from doing the walking, as well as your legs.

Begin by staying away from Chock Full of Nuts, Horn and Hardart and Tad's Steak Houses. Cheap is cheap. Excellent values at lunchtime near the hotel are found at Kentucky Fried Chicken (I), Deli City (I), MacDonalds (I) and Brew Burger (I). These places have signs labelled "outgoing" which do not refer to your basic personality type, but to the supposedly faster take-out service. Really cheap is 2 franks and a soda from one of the street vendors.

Nearby dinner places are Paddy's Clam House (I) at 34th Street, west of 7th, for seafood; and the Steer Palace (R,M) in Madison Square Garden. Al Coopers and Keens English Chop House (both R, M/ME) are both on 36th, west of Broadway. Take-out or delivery Chinese food is available from the Chinese Village at 141 West 33.

But for real Chinese food, go to Chinatown. First find the BMT subway (34th St & 6th Ave) and take any southbound train to Canal. Then ask anyone for Mott and Pell Streets. Ask a Chinese person for Bayard St. where Lum's Gardens will fill you on delicious Cantonese food for \$3 or so. Around the corner is Doyers St, where Wah Kee is at #16; also good and \$4 will cover the check. For Hunan and Szechwan food, go to the 4-star rated Uncle Tai's (R,M) at 63rd and 3rd (BMT north to 59th and Lexington/Third Ave).

The outstanding values department lists the Oyster Bar (Grand Central Terminal, lower level) for outstanding seafood. The deco vaulted ceilings are still there and afterwards you can stroll through what I like to think of as Taggart Terminal. For a light supper the Potagerie on 5th Ave between 45th-46th Sts offers a choice of 3 kinds of soups, croissants, dessert and coffee for \$3-\$4. The best value is Farnie's Steak Parlor at 18th St and 2nd Ave (take a cab since you can't get there from here easily). Would you believe a pound of sirloin for \$5.50? Or a filet/lobster combo for a similar tariff?

I've left the French places till last so I could think about the six I would recommend. Believe me, it was a rough choice. Three are in the theater district - all west of 8th Ave, all R,M. Rene Pujols on 51st, Cafe de France on 46th and Pierre Au Tunnel on 48th. For a rather pleasant dining experience, try Georges Rey, 60 W 55th, where a complete dinner is served for \$9.95.

If you'd like to splurge and go for a grand dinner, stay away from Lutece and the like. You want value, right? Chateau Richelieu at 48 E. 52nd gives it. Exclusive of spirits, \$15 per person is the minimum for a complete dinner. But even with two bottles of wine, I've never gone over \$70 for two in any of my visits. And it is perhaps the best French restaurant in town.

But my favorite eatery is Chez Bernstein. It's homey, small, very inexpensive and is by invitation only and only open when whim dictates. It will be closed the last week of August so the The Happy Cooker can attend the Libertarian Presidential Convention.

(R = Reservations recommended. I = Inexpensive, under \$5. M = Moderate, \$5-\$10. ME = Moderately expensive, \$10-\$15.)

WHERE TO EAT ...CHEAP AND CLOSE TO THE STATLER

BLARNEY STONE, 32nd between Broadway & 7th; looks seedy but good sandwiches & hot plates
BREW BURGER, 34th between Broadway & 7th; not bad burgers & stuff
BRIEFCASE PUB II, 33rd St near 8th Avenue; a new "pubby" place
THE BURGER RANCH, 34th & Broadway; fairly decent burgers, etc. - counter & tables
COLONY RESTAURANT/Bar/Coffee Shop, 7th Ave between 34th & 35th
HARRY M'S BAR, in the Penn Station Building
HORN & HARDART RESTAURANT, 33rd & 8th; not the old automat but okay cafeteria style
HOWARD JOHNSON'S, 34th between Broadway & 6th; it's HJ but not as clean as on the road
HUNGRY MAC'S, 34th between Broadway and 6th Ave - south side (6th is Ave of Americas)
KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN, 34th Street and 7th Ave; you must know the Colonel
KOUKLA'S RESTAURANT & COCKTAIL LOUNGE, 31st between 7th and 8th Avenues
MAC DONALD'S, 7th Ave between 33rd and 34th; you surely know Ronald MacDonald too
NEW HANKOW RESTAURANT, 34th between Broadway and 7th
PADDY'S CLAM HOUSE, 34th between 7th & 8th; really good value - ask for the specials
TAD'S STEAKS, 34th between 7th and Broadway; filet it ain't but cheap it is
ZUM ZUM, 35th Street and 7th Ave; neat, clean German-style sandwiches - counter & takeout

AND FOR CIGARETTES...go across 33rd St into Greely Arcade. 50¢/55¢ a pack

STREET PERFORMERS

by John Doswell

Several of New York's SUPERSTAR Street Musicians and performers will be providing noontime entertainment on the SOAP BOX in the center of the Exhibit Hall. These talented independent people make their livings by performing on the sidewalks of New York...and instead of charging an admission fee, they simply pass the hat.

Street musicians are true entrepreneurs. Doctor Ubi, a street guitarist, says, "The street is the toughest stage in the world and an artist who makes it in the street becomes the greatest of the lot. The public isn't a bunch of fools - they don't give away their money to see everybody, and if you see someone out there making a living, he's got to be good." The artists who will appear on the Soap Box are good...they make healthy livings in spite of the fact that what they are doing is illegal in NYC. Richard Wexler, the most famous of the group (he has appeared on Johnny Carson, David Frost and several other TV shows and has been a landmark for years in front of Carnegie Hall and around Broadway) has been arrested several times, and has literally dozens of summons. One of the more interesting reads, "Violation - illiterate musician." Richard will be performing on Thursday, playing the violin.

Others appearing on the Soap Box will be Karen Joseph and Andrea Brackfeld (flautists), Mal Cross (magician), Ruby Levine (violin), David Cullen (juggler and FIRE EATER!), Mary Lynn Cullen (singer) and Jim Williams (saxophone and cymbals). These little shows are not to be missed. They will begin as the Convention breaks for lunch and will continue as long as there are people to listen. If you enjoy the show (and you will), it is customary to leave coins or a greenback in the hat (or violin case, or whatever). You'll find New York's street performers friendly, outgoing, highly talented, and very interesting people to talk with.

THE VILLAGE

by Linda Osborne Blood

Lucky people, you will be in New York in time for the Labor Day installment of the Washington Square Park Outdoor Art Show, largest in the world, which begins August 29th and runs through September 14th. For those 2 weeks the sidewalks around the Park for several blocks in all directions will be covered with prints, paintings, sculpture and artists in deck chairs selling their works to passersby. It's about the best time of all to visit the Village.

When you're finished wading through artists, cross Sixth Avenue and take a leisurely stroll through the labyrinth of streets that comprise the West Village. To add to your enjoyment of the area, I'd suggest picking up "A Walking Tour of the Village" by Maggie Kenyon, available at most bookstores and card shops in the area.

To get there from here take: 7th Avenue IRT #1 downtown local train to Christopher St/Sheridan Square; OR, 6th Avenue IND downtown B, F, or D train to West 4th Street. If you're chicken of the subway, take the 7th Ave M-10 bus to either Abingdon Square or Sheridan Square.

SERENDIPITY IN NEW YORK ...Part II

by Andrea Millen

The most interesting item in last week's news was an announcement by the City Council's Committee on Environmental Protection that between 300,000 and 500,000 pounds of "dog litter" were dropped on the City every day. After growling for awhile about how much money it probably cost the Committee to make this study, dream a little about how they weighed it.