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# **January 15 Meeting Will Feature Election of County Officers**

The January 15th meeting of the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County will be our annual County Convention.

In addition to the election of officers and representatives to the California Libertarian Council Executive Committee and the State Convention (scheduled for February in San Diego), the following two amendments to our bylaws will be proposed:

(1) The members of the executive committee of the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County shall be the following officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chair, Fund Raising Chair, Activities Chair, and Publications Chair, together with an elected representative from each chartered City or Town Libertarian Council within Santa Clara County.

(2) The executive committee may charter one organization from each Town or City upon presentation to the Secretary of a petition for such charter signed by 10 members of the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County. Such charter shall remain in effect as long as at least five members maintain the affiliation represented by the petition. Each member may affiliate or disaffiliate with one City or Town organization at a time by communicating the intention in writing to the Secretary.

Our County organization's activities this year have resulted in such dramatic growth for the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County that our proportion of the membership in the California Libertarian Council has risen from 10 to 15 percent and may entitle us to an additional representative on the State Executive Committee.

Please see the January issue of Santa Clara Libertarian for the time and place of the January 15 meeting.

## Draft Registration Threatens Next Age Group

by Ray Strong

Unconstitutional, unethical, unAmerican, registration for the draft continues to take its inexorable toll on liberty.

The next installment of this outrage is scheduled for the week of January 5, 1981, when those young men born in 1962 and who will be turning 18 in 1981, will be required by law to register themselves for a potential draft. Opposition to such a draft remains a minority position in spite of our best efforts at organization and education. But even as a minority, we can influence the decisions of politicians. An organized minority is much more dangerous to an elected official than any ignorant or apathetic majority.

Please help us remain dangerous to the power-seekers in Washington who will be pushing for a draft next year. Volunteer to staff a Libertarian table at a post office some time during draft registration week. Help keep Libertarian Party registration growing and help us let potential draftees know we support their rights. Call 408/CRY-FREE to join the fight. Let's keep this country the land of the free.

## Open House Party to Replace December Meeting

As in previous years there will be no December Libertarian Council meeting. Instead, June Genis will host her gala annual Christmas party on December 13 at her home in La Honda. This year's party will be a potluck dinner so please telephone June at 497-4422 days or 851-7664 evenings to consult on what to bring and for directions to her house.

## Campaign Finance Report

by Russ Fridley

In February the Santa Clara Committee to Elect Libertarians was created to centralize the funding of the local campaigns and the local Clark effort. In eight months the Committee has raised and spent \$15,000. With the exception of \$300 from a Political Action Committee, all of this money came from individual donors. To raise the money, we put on two fundraising dinners (plus one dinner sponsored by the John Redding campaign), sent fundraising letters to all registered Libertarians in the county and phoned hundreds of Libertarians. The Committee was the sole source of funding for the campaigns of Ray Strong, Bill White and Dante DeAmicis and worked closely with the campaign committees for John Redding, Jim Wurm and Ed Clark.

The Bill White campaign early in the year received a special boost from the National LP Headquarters. Since Bill's campaign in the special election would set the stage for all other Libertarian candidates in California, Ed Crane sent a special fundraising letter to donors across the nation. Their response—\$2,500—enabled us to get off to a flying start.

The Santa Clara Committee to Elect Libertarians maintained the Clark office, sent out Clark mailings and paid for the annual Libertarian booth at the County Fair. The radio and newspaper ads for Ray Strong, John Redding, Dante DeAmicis and Jim Wurm were paid for by the Committee.

All in all, the Committee spent \$10,000 before the June primary and \$5,000 before the general election—without going into debt! While \$15,000 may be small change compared to the sums spent by Republicrat candidates, it represents a great step forward for the local Libertarian Party. That was a huge amount of money to raise without contributions from special interest groups.

I want to thank the hundreds of people who donated to the Santa Clara Committee to Elect Libertarians—that money enabled us to run the first credible campaigns in local LP history. Many people worked tirelessly in the fundraising efforts; special thanks to Gloria Rotunno, Ray Strong, Mark Hinkle, Jim and Judy Wurm, Dante and Lory DeAmicis, June Genis, Karen Huffman and the entire John Redding campaign staff.

We learned a great deal about fundraising and campaigning. We managed to tell the public what Libertarianism is all about. All the time and money put into the Committee have set the stage for a positive future for the Santa Clara County Libertarian Party.

## Calendar

Holiday Open House Party

Saturday, December 13. 4:00 p.m. to midnight.

You are invited to June Genis's annual Christmas open house and potluck at her home in the La Honda Woods. For directions and instructions on what to bring, call June at 415/851-7664.

New Year's Eve Bashes

Wednesday, December 31.

Phone 408/CRY-FREE to discover the locations and hosts of any Libertarian New Year's Eve Parties in the area.

**Draft Registration Week** 

January 5-10, 1981.

Help staff Libertarian efforts at post offices around the County. Call 408/CRY-FREE to volunteer.

# Congratulations Santa Clara Libertarian

Congratulations to Santa Clara County for maintaining a quality libertarian newsletter which, for at least the last three years, has been published every month, on time. As far as we know, no other Libertarian Party-affiliated publication in the country can match this record.

As the end of 1980 approaches, we thought it would be appropriate to give our readers a more detailed description of the staff of the SANTA CLARA LIBERTARIAN and some idea of our various roles. If this were a profit making enterprise, the role of publisher and managing editor would be played by Gloria Rotunno. The contributing editor responsible for the Calendar and News Notes and for managing subscription fulfillment is Karen Huffman. The other contributing editor responsible for a majority of the articles in SANTA CLARA LIBERTARIAN in 1980 is Ray Strong. Typesetting is provided below cost by Jean Graphics & Typesetting Company. Labor for mailing and miscellaneous logistic support is provided by the backbone of this organization, the Santa Clara Libertarian Volunteers. Operating funds are provided by members of the Libertarian Council and by subscribers and advertisers. Thank you all for another excellent year.

#### NOTES

- Delegate membership deadline is December 15, 1980. If you wish to be a delegate to the state CLC Convention in February or to be a local CLC officer or executive committee representative your membership must be current. New memberships or renewals should be sent to the CLC State Secretary at P.O. Box 3331, Redwood City, CA 94086.
- Deadline for income tax deductions for political contributions for 1980 tax returns is December 31—have you given your \$100 maximum? If not—the Clark campaign and several California campaigns need contributions to pay off their debts.
- The Libertarian Supper Club of San Francisco meets monthly at various San Francisco restaurants. If you would like detailed information on the upcoming dinner please telephone the sponsor, Beverly Locke, at 415/864-3969 or write to her at 117 Pierce St., San Francisco, CA 94117.

Libertarian Council Booth at the DeAnza Flea Market Saturday, January 10. 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed, especially in the morning, to staff our permanent information and merchandise booth at the DeAnza Flea Market in Cupertino. Help raise money to support local projects and educate yourself and others on the issues. Donations of books and other fast-selling items are needed and may be dropped off at the flea market. Location: DeAnza College Parking Lot A, Stevens Creek Blvd. and Stelling Road in Cupertino. For more information or to volunteer call Dante or Lory DeAmicis at 408/CRY-FREE.

Santa Clara County Libertarian Council Convention Thursday, January 15. 8:00 p.m.

The annual Libertarian Council Convention will be held at a location to be announced. A meeting of the Libertarian Party County Central Committee is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Call 408/CRY-FREE for details.

Additional announcements of events sponsored by and/or of interest to Bay Area Libertarians are requested. Deadline is the first of each month. Send announcements to Santa Clara Libertarian, 184 North Sunnyvale Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

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January 10

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For information or booth reservations call 996-4946

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