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US Senate Candidate Joe Fuhrig Addresses March Libertarian Council Meeting

Libertarian Council-endorsed candidate for United States Senator from California Joe Fuhrig will be the featured speaker at our regular monthly meeting Thursday, March 18, at 8:00 p.m. Joe received the endorsement of the California Libertarian Council at its convention in Long Beach in February. As reported in the February issue of this newsletter, Joe had previously received the endorsement of the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County.

An associate professor of economics at Armstrong College in Berkeley, Joe also lectures at Golden Gate University, College of Notre Dame, Cal State Hayward, and the College of San Mateo. He has been a lecturer in the summer seminars on libertarianism, produced by the Cato Institute since 1979. In 1980 he ran for Congress as the Libertarian Party candidate from the 10th district (the office sought this year by Dale Burrow).

Those who heard Joe on KGO agree that he is a lively, interesting and controversial speaker who gives every indication of running a hard-core, radical libertarian campaign.

The Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County meets the third Thursday of each month at our headquarters office, 401 E. Taylor in San Jose. There is no admission fee and the public is welcome.

Libertarians Field Full Slate

In a down-to-the-wire, cliff-hanging, last-minute effort early in February, the Libertarian Council managed to field a complete slate of candidates for partisan office in Santa Clara County.

Since their declarations of candidacy, all of our candidates have been scurrying to collect the signatures of registered Libertarians required to qualify them for the June primary ballot and to allow them to run without paying a filing fee.

Candidates and their authorized assistants have been circulating petitions now for over a week with varied results. Below, we tabulate the status of each of our candidates as of Thursday, February 25. Final results will be reported in the next issue. Thanks are due to all the circulators whose tireless efforts make it seem possible that all will qualify.

Individual candidates would welcome contributions of money to help defray any part of the filing fee that must be paid, or of time in helping to collect signatures and make it unnecessary to further fill the coffers of the state. Contact Karen Huffman from noon to six weekdays at the Libertarian Council office 408/279-3733 for information or to volunteer to sign or help carry petitions.

Convention Endorses Statewide Candidates

by Lyn Sapowsky

At its tenth anniversary convention aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, the California Libertarian Council endorsed an impressive slate of statewide candidates for 1982.

JOE FUHRIG, an alameda County professor of Economics was unanimously endorsed for U.S. Senate. Fuhrig, who teaches parttime at local colleges in San Mateo County, will be running a serious campaign with hopes of upsetting some of the "political heavyweights" in November.

DAN DOUGHERTY, an insurance salesman from Marin County, was endorsed for the office of Governor. Dougherty ran for the 5th Congressional district in 1980, proving himself an excellent candidate to carry the Libertarian banner in 1982.

JOHN VERNON, a Los Angeles caterer, had attended the convention with hopes of receiving the endorsement for Governor, but opted for Lt. Governor after Dougherty had received the nomination.

MARY GINGELL, the only female candidate endorsed by the Convention, is a Harvard MBA and a CPA, seeking the office of State Controller. Gingell, who is an active member of Peninsula Libertarians, brings to the 1982 campaigns a rare combination of personality and intelligence.

Other candidates endorsed include:

BART LEE, a San Francisco attorney, for the office of Attorney General,

MARTIN BUERGER, a San Francisco management consultant, for Secretary of State, and

LES ANTMAN, a CPA from Anaheim and editor of *Caliber*, for the office of Treasurer.

In the only disputed bid for endorsement, B. J. Wagener, a Los Angeles real estate investment consultant, says he will remain in the race for Lt. Governor despite the endorsement of Vernon. Wagener, who was the only announced candidate for Lt. Governor prior to the convention, contends "politics as usual" cost him the endorsement. Wagener said he intends to run a full-fledged primary campaign, and let the voters decide.

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Santa Clara County Libertarian Candidates Progress Report 2/25/82

| Name | Office Sought | District | Current S Total | Signatures Needed |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Dale Burrow | U.S. Congress | 10th | 26 | 103 |
| Chuck Olson | U.S. Congress | 11th | 44 | 150 |
| Bill White | U.S. Congress | 12th | 28 | 144 |
| Al Hinkle | U.S. Congress | 13th | 40 | 150 |
| James Wilson | State Senate | 12th | 23 | 103 |
| John Webster | State Assembly | ` 18th | 17 | 45 |
| Russ Fridley | State Assembly | 21st | 77 | 128 |
| Jeff Smith | State Assembly | 22nd | 23 | 97 |
| Ann Justi | State Assembly | 23rd | 42 | 87 |
| Alice Agogino | State Assembly | 24th | 15 | 69 |
| Mark Hinkle | State Assembly | 25th | 12 | 36 |
| Bill Evers | Board of Equalization | 3rd | 0 | 150 |

Libertarian Candidates Fine Tune Skills

"If they weren't busy enough already, they will be," cackled Ray Strong as he discussed plans for a series of campaign workshops to be held at the Party Headquarters, 401 East Taylor Street in San Jose. The workshops will be offered free to all Libertarian candidates. Special attention and videotape work will be limited to a select few each session.

Each session will feature a specific issue area or topic and attendees will be expected to study the area thoroughly and prepare *short* answers to lists of questions that will be supplied when the candidate registers for the session. Agenda and format will vary, but each early registrant should plan on a lot of practice in public speaking and debate. (All participation is, of course, voluntary.)

The first session for 1982 is scheduled for Saturday, March 22, from noon to 3:00 p.m. and will feature **Foreign Policy**. Congressional candidates are particularly encouraged to attend. Attendees should reserve a space by calling Karen Huffman at 408/279-3733. They should also prepare brief (one minute) andwers to each of the following questions: (1) Should America accept a position of inferiority in the U.S.-Soviet military balance?

LPC Headquarters Moves to San Jose

by Mary Gingell

The Executive Committee of the Libertarian Party of California met on February 14 in Long Beach during the CLC convention. In a move to reduce monthly expenses to a more manageable level, the Committee voted to close the Oakland office and to hire Karen Huffman, a long-time libertarian activist in Santa Clara County, to take over the office staff function recently vacated by outgoing state coordinator Lisa Hosbein.

Under the plan, the Party will pay for Karen's services, while the Santa Clara council will provide office space free of charge at 401 E. Taylor St., San Jose (phone 408/CRY-FREE).

State Party Chair Bill Evers also presented an analysis of important issues in California in the upcoming campaigns. Evers stressed crime, education, taxes, land use, water, reapportionment and Reagan's "new federalism" as key issues on which our candidates need to be able to articulate the Libertarian position. In addition, he described a population segment that political sociologists have labeled "New Fiscal Populists." These voters are liberal on social issues but tend to be conservative on economic issues; therefore, this segment of the population has much in common with Libertarians and should be targeted by Libertarian candidates as potential votes and converts.

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(2) What is your position on El Salvador? (3) Would you vote for unilateral nuclear disarmament? (4) Should the U.S. restrict immigration? (5) Should the U.S. aid domestic corporations or set up tariffs in retaliation for such Japanese programs?

Future sessions are tentatively scheduled for May 15 and 16 and for the regular Thursday night meetings of the Libertarian Council of Santa Clara County, beginning May 20.

"This is John Galt speaking. I am the man who loves his life....

"Whatever may be open to disagreement, there is one act of evil that may not...no man may initiate—do you hear me? no man may start—the use of physical force against others....

"...the achievement of your happiness is the only moral *purpose of your life*....

"The only proper purpose of a government is to protect man's rights, which means: to protect him from physical violence.... But a government that initiates the employment of force against men who had forced no one, the employment of armed compulsion against disarmed victims, is a nightmare infernal machine designed to annihilate morality....

"We will rebuild America's system on the moral premise which had been its foundation...: the premise that man is an end in himself, not the means to the ends of others, that man's life, his freedom, his happiness are his by inalienable right...no rights can exist without the right to translate one's rights into reality—to think, to work and to keep the results—which means: the right of property.... With the sign of the dollar as our symbol—the sign of free trade and free minds—we will move to reclaim this country once more from the impotent savages who never discovered its nature, its meaning, its splendor...

"I swear—by my life and my love of it—that I will never live for the sake of another man, nor ask another man to live for mine."

With the speech represented by these excerpts, novelist and philosopher Ayn Rand unveiled what is perhaps the most powerful ethical defense to date for the political philosophy of libertarianism. Even today, it is a safe estimate that more people have been exposed to the basic ideas of libertarianism through reading *Atlas Shrugged* (from which these excerpts were taken) than through any other source including the Libertarian Party.

At the end of the novel, published by Random House, Inc. in 1957, Ayn Rand said of her own life, "My personal life is a postscript to my novels; it consists of the sentence: "And I mean it.; I have always lived by the philosophy I present in my books..." Of Aristotle she said, "his definition of the laws of logic and of the means of human knowledge is so great an achievement that his errors are irrelevant by comparison." So let it be with Ayn Rand. Libertarians may regret the series of errors, mistakes, misunderstandings, and clashes in personality that prevented Ayn Rand from acknowledging the libertarian movement; but we all owe this giant of the mind a tremendous debt of gratitude and fond remembrance.

One of the foremost champions of liberty of this century, or any, is gone. Goodbye, Ayn Rand. You are already missed.

Ayn Rand February 2, 1905 - March 6, 1982

We Run to Win

by Ray Strong

Libertarian Party Candidates are often asked why they are running for public office. Sometimes the question carries with it an implicit assumption that the candidate has no chance of winning the race. In recent years the candidates of other minor political parties have begun answering similar questions by suggesting that they run to educate or to raise public awareness of specific issues. Now education is a fine and important goal. It is one of the reasons for having a Libertarian Party, and it is a primary goal of the libertarian movement, but it is not enough.

It is not enough that people be made aware of the increasing danger to the remaining relative freedom of our society. It is not even enough that they come to understand and accept liberty as an ideal, or that they see the danger in accepting anything short of

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that ideal. If we ever hope to achieve so radical a change as the establishment of a truly libertarian society, we must offer not only the vision but the means. Moreover, it is evident from history that such a society cannot be achieved by violent revolution—that we cannot use force to create a society characterized by the rejection of force as a means of achieving political or social goals. What we must offer is a peaceful means for radical change. That means is politics.

An individual candidate of the Libertarian Party may have very little chance of winning a given race *this year*; but that candidate is running to win. The victory sought is that of the growth of the Libertarian Party, synchronized with a growth in public awareness and understanding of libertarianism, and with the eventual goal of electing libertarians to public office, removing unjust laws and controls, freeing the inappropriately imprisoned, and ending the vicious cycle of government power accretion that threatens to wipe out the last vestiges of freedom on this planet.

Some of our candidates have won election already. Some will win this year. Others have no significant chance in the current campaigns. But all are running to win.

Candidates of many parties major and minor have asked for your vote as a way of sending "them" a message. The votes, for the most part, were counted and forgotten. True, some messages have gotten through. In fact, your vote for a minor party candidate has historically counted far more than your vote for an incumbent, precisely because major party candidates have found it expedient to ignore their loyal constituents and curry the favor of new voting blocks by coopting their programs. But the cooption can only be skin deep when the programs are libertarian while the politician paying them lip service operates from a need to control people.

Libertarians cannot be satisfied with borrowed libertarian rhetoric or the elimination of a few departments or of a few planned tax increases. We require a consistent change throughout society, a change that will free the most productive and creative within each of us, but a radical change that makes Reaganomics look very much like an attempt to preserve the status quo. Concomitant with that change and because human beings have a social and explicitly political nature, we require libertarian politicians whose purpose is to remove power from government and return it to its source, the individual. And we need to elect those politicians. If not this year, then next, or the year after.

This is why Libertarian candidates run for office each year. This is why they seek your support, your time, talent, and resources. To spread the message of liberty? Yes; but, more than that, to win. Each vote they receive brings them one step closer to that goal.

A small party grows slowly, especially in these days of homogenized news coverage, sanitized education, and wide-spread fear of any change. But ours is growing. Each new registrant, each new libertarian activist brings us closer to a victory far from certain but well worth the effort.

It can be done and we can do it. It starts with a vote. On election day, make yours a vote for liberty. **Vote Libertarian.**

California Libertarian Council

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Calendar

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBERTARIAN COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, March 18. 8:00 p.m.

This month's meeting will feature Joe Fuhrig, economics professor and Libertarian Party candidate for U.S. Senate, speaking on "The Keynesian Revolution: A Libertarian View." In addition, we will be circulating Petitions for Signatures In Lieu of Filing Fees for the Libertarian Party candidates for U.S. Congress and we will be making plans for our annual tax protest at various post offices around the county. LOCATION: 401 East Taylor Street (corner of 10th & Taylor) in San Jose. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month. For more details about the meeting telephone 408/CRY-FREE.

CANDIDATE WORKSHOP

Saturday, March 27. 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

All Libertarian candidates are invited to participate. Call 408/CRY-FREE to register.

GALA CANDIDATES' BANQUET

Saturday, March 27. Cocktails 6:00 p.m.

The featured speaker will be Joe Fuhrig, Libertarian Party candidate for U.S. Senate. Dan Wiener, former CLC chair and humorist *par-excellence*, will be the master of ceremonies. Location: Villa Hotel, El Camino Room, 4000 South El Camino Real in San Mateo. Fee: \$20 single, \$35 per couple, advance payment required. Send \$ to: Peninsula Libertarians, P.O. Box 3331, Redwood City, CA 94064. Information phone: Lyn Sapowsky at 415/368-8148.

LIBERTARIAN COUNCIL BOOTH AT THE DE ANZA FLEA MARKET

Saturday, April 3. 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed, especially in the morning to staff our permanent information and merchandise booth at the De Anza Flea Market in Cupertino. Help us raise money to support our many local projects and educate yourself and others on the issues by talking to the public about libertarianism. Donations of books and other fast-selling items are needed and may be dropped off at the flea market or at our Taylor Street office. Location: De Anza College Parking Lot C, Stevens Creek Boulevard and Stelling Road in Cupertino.

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Our members are dedicated to the spiritual and moral development of free, independent, and self-responsible individuals. We emphasize knowledge and self-improvement as the path to spiritual fulfillment and human freedom.

"Know the Truth . . . and the Truth shall set you Free."

PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, April 9. 7:00 p.m.

An introductory level philosophical discussion group will be held the second Friday of each month at 416 Leland Ave., Palo Alto. If you are interested in participating please call Chuck Olson evenings at 415/324-0516 or Ruth Stevenson at 408/727-3727 days.

ANNUAL INCOME TAX PROTEST

Thursday, April 15. 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight.

Volunteers are needed to staff the tables at our tax protests at various major post offices around the county. Come to the March 18th meeting to discuss plans and preparations. To volunteer phone 408/CRY-FREE.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBERTARIAN COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, April 15. 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

At next month's meeting we will be making preparations for our demonstration against taxes later that night which will be held at the Meridian Avenue Post Office. Location: 401 E. Taylor St., San Jose. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month. Information phone: 408/CRY-FREE.

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, 401 East Taylor Street, San Jose, CA 95112-9990

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