



# VIRGINIA LIBERTY

*Libertarian Party of Virginia*

*July/August 2004*

## VP Candidate Campagna in Virginia August 13-15

by Marc Montoni

**N**ORTHERN VIRGINIA -- In one of their first acts as the Virginia coordinators of the Badnarik/Campagna LP presidential ticket, Liz and Jeff Bowles announced a few days ago that they have arranged for a campaign stop by Richard Campagna, the LP's candidate for Vice President, from August 13 through the 15th.

"We all know that every sneeze by the DemRep candidates will be covered in great detail by the media; while the same reporters will go out of their way to avoid covering the Libertarians -- so we just have to be more creative," said Jeff Bowles.

"The Campagna visit will be a perfect opportunity for LP members to introduce friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to our presidential ticket specifically and Libertarian ideas in general," he said.

### **Friday, August 13**

**Evening** - Meet & Greet w/ American Muslim leaders.

### **Saturday, August 14**

**Morning** - Visits to local farmers' markets, DC petitioning event, or meetings with Brown University alumni

**Afternoon** - Prince William County Fair - LPPWC Booth; possible stop-by at a Badnarik Meetup

**6:00 to 9:00 p.m.** -- Reception at 6, "Dinner With the Candidate" at 7. The Italian Cafe, 7161 Lee Hwy, Falls Church. LIMITED SEATING SO PLEASE RSVP TO 540-473-3510 or [Botetourt@LPVA.com](mailto:Botetourt@LPVA.com)

### **Sunday, August 15**

**Breakfast** - Event TBA

**12:00** - American Muslim picnic

web browser:

[www.fcnp.com/331/restaurant.htm](http://www.fcnp.com/331/restaurant.htm)

## Virginians for Badnarik

**B**y all accounts Liz and Jeff Bowles have accomplished a lot during their first year of Libertarian Party activism. They now take on a new role: coordinating the campaign of the Libertarian presidential ticket in Virginia.

The Bowles, who began their activities by founding the very successful Libertarian Party of Botetourt County last year, will succeed Steve LaBianca as coordinator of the Badnarik campaign in Virginia. They will also coordinate the campaign of

vice presidential candidate Richard Campagna.

Mr. LaBianca, a long-time Richmond activist, will be moving out of state at the beginning of August.

"Steve is to be commended for laying some very good groundwork for us to build on," said Ms. Bowles. "He has collected a strong base list of volunteers and has kept us all well informed about campaign activities. We will miss him here."

Ms. Bowles noted that she and Mr. Bowles are developing plans for the fall campaign. She also indicated that arrangements are underway to bring both Mr. Badnarik and Mr. Campagna to Virginia during the campaign at least once. She stated that it is likely Mr. Campagna will appear in northern Virginia on Aug. 14-15.

Liz and Jeff can be reached at [Botetourt@LPVA.com](mailto:Botetourt@LPVA.com) or (540) 473-3510. Information about the Badnarik and Campagna campaigns can be found at the Badnarik web site at [www.Badnarik.org](http://www.Badnarik.org).



*L-R: Badnarik assistant Jon Airheart, Liz Bowles, Michael Badnarik, and Jeff Bowles*

## LPVA Makes Ballot, 5th Pres Election in a Row!

by Marc Montoni

**F**REE UNION -- As of 3:30 p.m. on July 26, Jim Lark was a happy man. Lark, the LPVA's 2004 Petition Drive coordinator, had just received word from the State Board of Elections that the LPVA had submitted enough signatures to place the LP presidential ticket of Michael Badnarik and Richard Campagna on the Virginia ballot this fall.

"As far as I can tell, this is by far the earliest date by which we have completed the process of gathering presidential petition signatures," noted Dr. Lark.

"I had hoped we could qualify by submitting no more than 13,500 signatures statewide. That is almost exactly the number we submitted. Moreover, I believe we accomplished this task at a cost well under budget."

Lark was quick to identify the stars of the effort. "Many great Libertarians helped. In particular, Bill Redpath, Jeff and Liz Bowles, George Marchenko, Marc Montoni, Joe Rudmin, Tony Torres, Bryan Gilkerson, Sanford Pankin, Steve Damerell, and Chuck Eby deserve special praise for their many contributions to the drive. In addition, several Libertarians around the state sent me 20-50 notarized signatures; this was a major help to the drive," he said.

## VL Hero Award

by Marc Montoni

Volunteers who shoulder the largest loads are rarely given the praise and appreciation they are due. Worse, in the past, the only "thanks" some received for performing important deeds was negativity.

The editorial staff wishes to change that culture. To that end, the editorial staff of *Virginia Liberty* will recognize one outstanding LP volunteer every issue, beginning with this one.

This issue's winner is easy -- just read the above article. Without a doubt, Dr. Lark's leadership has resulted in what is evidently the earliest completion of a presidential ballot drive in our history.

Even more impressive, apparently the drive was completed at lower cost, and with more volunteers, than ever before.

It is for his unrelenting effort (including his personal contribution of nearly 2,200 signatures) that the editorial staff recognizes Jim Lark as this issue's Hero.

We encourage all Libertarians who may happen to see the good Doctor at one of the many local events he attends to make your heartfelt appreciation known.

Let's make sure that our best friends know that their efforts are valued and appreciated!

### Petitioning No Picnic

The Virginia drive, while not impossible, is always grueling. Petitioning is one of the many ways Democrats and Republicans cling to power -- by forcing newer political groups to spend millions of dollars and thousands of man-hours collecting signatures, they effectively bankrupt those new voices before they can ever buy their first advertisement. One-party states have nothing on these two!

### Libertarians Determined

Despite the burdens imposed by the Democrats and Republicans, the Libertarians are determined not to be silenced. In fact, Virginia Libertarians are improving their petitioning skills constantly -- as shown by the earlier and earlier filing times. Libertarians are even seeing moderate success in court and at the General Assembly, convincing legislators to make some reforms in the law. For example, in 2001, the LPVA won the right to have our candidates labeled correctly on the ballot -- as "Libertarians," rather than as "independents."



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# Memo From The Chairman

## ACLU: Lessons for the LP...

By Steve Damerell

Like many Libertarians, I don't always agree with what the American Civil Liberties Union has to say. Philosophically, the organization occasionally confuses its desire to defend civil liberties with other parts of a liberal agenda that aren't freedom-friendly. However, I've found the organization's work to be increasingly necessary in an age where the Bill of Rights has been undermined in the name of the fight against terrorism.

When I received an invitation to the ACLU's national membership conference in

San Francisco, I decided to combine my summer vacation with a visit, primarily to observe and take in sessions from the conference's more exciting speakers.

For the most part, I received what I expected – an admirably vigilant opposition to the Patriot Act and Iraq war, a few issues I disagreed with and a professionally hosted event. But I also encountered a huge pleasant surprise at the convention – a surprise that the LP could easily learn from.

When I compared the demographics of the ACLU convention with those of the LP's national convention in May, there were several differences that I had expected, and one crucial one that I had not – the average age

at the ACLU conference was about 20 years younger than the LP's.

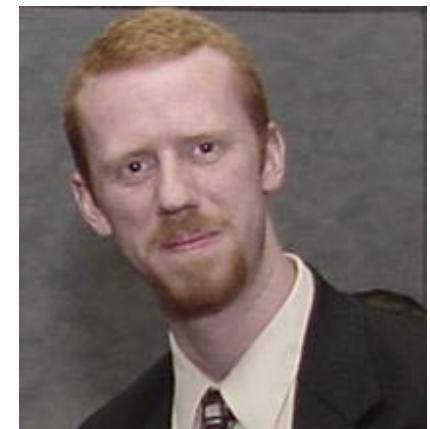
There was no immediate reason for the difference to be so drastic. The ACLU hosted its convention at a downtown hotel not unlike the one the LP utilized; the ACLU even included all meals, from the convention's start to its finish. Additionally, San Francisco was a pricier area than Atlanta. So what caused the spike in college and young adult attendance? Certainly, the ACLU, commonly identified as a liberal group, has a naturally younger constituency, but the event organizers also kept a keen eye on appealing to youth.

***If we want students to flock to the LP in droves – which must happen to establish our party viably for the next generation – we must remove all obstacles to youth participation, especially financial ones.***

Young adult registration for the conference was only \$65, including all meals, and the ACLU provided an online connection for young adults to share inexpensive accommodations nearby. The LP put on a fine convention this year, and sent out several messages encouraging youth involvement, but we failed to make them such a primary constituency by easing the natural financial burdens associated with conventions.

The lessons of youth outreach apply not just to our national organization, but to our state and local groups as well, where youth involvement is also unfortunately slow-starting.

In the LPVA, of course, we've



**Steve Damerell**

seen some genuine success stories this year, with student groups starting at Virginia Tech, Old Dominion University and George Mason University to join established LP affiliates like those at the University of Virginia and other Virginia colleges. This is due in no small part to the work of our Campus Coordinator, Jim Lark, who puts in countless hours helping students get groups started and then visiting them.

But there's always more that we could do. If we want students to flock to the LP in droves – which must happen to establish our party viably for the next generation – we must remove all obstacles to youth participation, especially financial ones. My goal for the next LPVA convention, in 2006, is to allow interested students to attend free of charge, and have a coordinated lodging system to reduce the costs.

We have some time to organize this -- the next convention is still almost two years away. As the time draws closer, I'll contact you to tell you how you can help.

Right now, we have a Libertarian Presidential campaign that needs your attention and financial assistance:

[www.Badnarik.org](http://www.Badnarik.org)

But when the time rolls around, I hope that you'll support efforts to bring ever-growing numbers of youth into the LPVA. If we want the future of our party to be strong, we must reach out to the future voters and leaders of America.

Yours in liberty,

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## 2004 ELECTIONS

**November 2nd, 2004 State & National Elections**  
(Presidential Primary February 10, all other primaries June 8)

**President (4-year term)**

**U.S. Representative (11) (2-year term)**

**County Board (Arlington) (4-year term)**

**County School Board (Arlington) (4-year term)**

**City Council (4 cities) (terms vary - set by Charter)**

**City School Board (2 cities) (terms vary - set by Charter)**

**Town Council (7 towns) (terms vary - set by Charter)**

# 'Stand Up for Equality' Rallies Draw Libertarians



By Marc Montoni

**R**ICHMOND -- What a difference one law can make. On July 1, 2004, alternative-life-style couples in the Commonwealth of Virginia lost all ability to enter any contract that would approximate the legal privileges that

HB 751 places those privileges off-limits.

Worse yet, the law is so broadly written and unclear that it will likely be ruled unconstitutional. HB 751 exposes people financially, legally and emotionally to the threat of a challenge on a daily basis.

Libertarians in several Virginia cities participated in the "Stand Up for Equality" protests against this new law.

"Stand Up for Equality" is a joint project by a coalition of several organizations. For a complete list visit:

[www.StandUpForEquality.org](http://www.StandUpForEquality.org)

Long-time Richmond LP member Roy Scherer was one of the featured speakers at the Richmond rally; he was joined by LP members Tom Blanton, Leonard Harris, Tad Hill, Steve LaBianca, Jim Lark, Matt Martin, Roy Scherer, Anne Soffee, and Bill Walker.

The Richmonders said it was a great day of networking (estimates placed the crowd between 500 and 750 participants) and that many in the crowd walked away with information about the Libertarian Party and its same-sex couples the right to enter in such contracts.

are normally accorded to married couples.

HB 751, an amendment to the 1997

Affirmation of Marriage Act (which already

prohibited same-sex marriage), denies

same-sex couples the right

to enter in such contracts.

The law is so poorly

written it may also interfere with contracts between

people who are not engaged

in any kind of intimate relationship.

For same-sex couples,

the law:

- Voids contracts such as medical directives and mutual wills.

- Voids custody arrangements.

- Powers of Attorney, property arrangements, joint bank accounts are now in legal limbo.

Equality Virginia estimates that civil marriage has about 1,000 protections for married couples. See:

[www.EqualityVirginia.org](http://www.EqualityVirginia.org)



-- **Anne Soffee, Roy Scherer, and Jim Lark enjoy a break in the rally.**  
*(Photo by Leonard Harris)*

Badnarik/Campagna presidential ticket. Rallies in other areas of the state also featured Libertarian participation. Brian Babb, LPVA's 2nd Congressional District chairman, gave a rousing and well-received speech to about 550 participants at the Norfolk rally.

Rally participants and other critics of the law hope that it will either be unenforced or overturned on appeal sometime very soon. Many legal experts say the law has virtually no chance of surviving a court hearing.

We shall soon see.

## WE STILL NEED DONATIONS!!

The ballot drive may be over...  
But we still have petitioning expenses to pay.

The drive cost the LPVA about \$8,000. Many people could not petition but made financial pledges instead. Some (you know who you are!) did not petition and did not pledge.

It's not too late -- you can still help the LPVA recover from the ballot drive. \$25 a year is for membership, which brings you the state and national newsletters. But that \$25 doesn't begin to cover ballot drives! Petitioning costs must be fully funded or other projects suffer.

**Please -- donate to the ballot drive fund today.**

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## Ballot Drive Donation Coupon



YES! I want to support the 2004 Ballot Drive.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation Amount Enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation\* \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

\* NOTE: Under Virginia and federal law, the Libertarian Party of Virginia is required to acquire this information and to report your response.

Please make all donations earmarked for the ballot drive payable to the "Libertarian Party" and send to:

**LPVA Petition Drive  
PO Box 274  
Free Union VA 22940**

# June - July Local LP Events

Ah, the sweet days of summer; when a young person's fancy turns to...

*Libertarian activity!!*

As one may see by the photos on these pages, Libertarian events have been blossoming around Virginia. Please -- whenever you hold LP events, remember to take photos, jot down a description, and send it to us here at the news desk (<[Newsletter@LPVA.com](mailto:Newsletter@LPVA.com)> or mail to VL, PO Box 118, Edinburg VA 22824-0118)! What better way to inspire other Libertarians around the state to put on an even better event than yours (nudge, nudge, wink, wink)?

When you do submit photos, please note that higher resolutions work much better. The larger photos reproduced here are higher-resolution.

## BOTETOURT LP BIRTHDAY BASH

One of the most successful and active local LP's in Virginia recently marked its first anniversary in business with a cake and party (June 25).

The Botetourt group looks forward to many more anniversaries in the years to come (after all, it's not like the socialists will just give up!!).

LPVA representatives attending the party include Leonard Harris (far left) and Jim Lark (to Harris' left).



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## JAL 'Flies the Colors' in Crozet Parade

CROZET, VA -- July 3, 2004 -- Members of the Jefferson Area Libertarians participated in the Crozet Fireman's Parade, which is part of Crozet's annual Independence Day celebration.

JALers accompanied their float from Crozet Elementary School to Claudius Crozet park.

"It was a great event. We drove an SUV with Badnarik banners on it and gave away a lot of helium "Michael Badnarik for President" balloons to the kids, and Badnarik flyers to the adults watching the parade", said Arin Sime, chair of the Jefferson Area Libertarians.

JAL members, including James Curtis, Larry Gavel, Nancy Howell, Jim Lark, Arin Sime, and Gary Westmoreland distributed over 75 balloons, over 200

pieces of literature, and several bags of candy.

The Jefferson Area Libertarians also ran an advertisement in the Charlottesville Daily Progress on Friday July 2nd, 2004. The ad commemorated Independence Day, July 4th, which is the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.



## Fairfax LP Celebrates

FAIRFAX, VA -- June 13, 2004 -- Members of the Libertarian Party of Fairfax County (LPFC) and other Libertarian volunteers operated one of its most successful outreach booths in memory.

The bright sunshine and mild temperatures brought a large crowd to the event and many visitors to the LPFC booth. More than 400 people took the World's Smallest Political Quiz and 13 inquiries were generated.

Volunteers gave out more than 100 pieces of literature and over 600 signatures were gathered for the petition drive.

"This was one of our best outreach efforts," said LPFC Committee Member Marianne Volpe. "We were lucky to have so many great volunteers respond to the call for help this weekend, and the cooler-than-usual weather helped on Saturday and Sunday."

The three day fair on the grounds of the Fairfax County Government Center draws up to 150,000 visitors from all over Northern Virginia. Some quiz takers and inquiries were from New York State, Maryland and Illinois, but most were from Fairfax County.

Although there were only 13 requests for more information, LPFC Chairman Dana Johansen said that may have been because some volunteers were not trained to solicit them, and just handed people literature. He said that at future events he would provide training to the volunteers to get names and addresses from inquiries.

Volunteers came from far and wide to staff the booth and gather signatures.

Dr. Jim Lark drove up from Charlottesville VA on Saturday to spend the day gathering signatures, and the Stevenson family, including Karin and J.R., of King George, VA came on Sunday to staff the booth. Ken Morrison, past Chairman of the Prince William County Libertarian Party and Eleventh Congressional District Chairman joined Jim Turbett, past Chairman of the Libertarian Party of Fairfax County, current Chairman Dana Johansen, and LPFC members Steve Dennett, Alan Grimes, Fred Childress and Marcia Strassel, Josh Dunn, Scott McPherson, Tony Torres, Chuck Eby, and Marianne Volpe.

-- Marianne Volpe



Fairfax County Libertarians stand at the ready to introduce visitors to Libertarian ideas. Shown here are volunteers Tony Torres, Karin Stevenson, and Steve Dennett (left to right)

## Events (cont'd)

### Botetourt LP On Parade

**B**UCHANAN, VA -- July 4, 2004 -- This year's Independence Day festivities featured parade appearances by at least two Virginia Libertarian groups. Floats and marchers appeared in both the Crozet Fireman's Parade and the Buchanan Independence Day parade.

"This is the first time the Libertarian Party has had an entry in the Buchanan Independence Day parade", said Liz Bowles, chair of the Botetourt County Libertarians.

"We distributed over 400 pieces of literature, and candy for the kids, but



ABOVE: Parade participants (L-R): Matt Bennett, Lisa Williams, Bernice McCue, Jeff Bowles, and Jean Helms.. RIGHT: Lisa Williams as Lady Liberty.

most importantly, we got our name out in front of hundreds of prospective voters", she continued.

The Botetourt County Libertarian's float featured Lisa Williams, dressed as Lady Liberty.

Bernice McCue drove the float, accompanied by walkers Matt Bennett, Jeff Bowles, and Jean Helms, who distributed literature and candy.

-- Lisa Williams



### HENRICO LP CLEANS UP ...

**H**ENRICO COUNTY -- On June 19, Henrico County LP members donated their time to litter control along Skipwith Road. In exchange for four afternoons a year, the Henrico LP gets a sign listing the group as responsible for the clean-up of the area. It's free advertising!!

The trash collectors shown at right are: Russell Booker, Steve LaBianca, George Marchenko, Bill Walker. Not shown are Leonard Harris and John Mullin.

John and Sarah Mullin hosted the trash police at their home off Skipwith. Water and donuts were provided by Billy and Judy Harris.



### ... AND ELECTS 04-05 OFFICERS

The Libertarian Party of Henrico County held its annual convention on July 4, 2004. The event was held at the home of George Marchenko. A new Board was elected: Chair -- George Marchenko; Vice Chair -- John Mullin; Secretary -- Leonard Harris; Treasurer -- Russell Booker; At-Large -- Matt Martin, Sarah Mullin, and Bill Walker. Jim Lark was the featured speaker at the convention.



## State Committee Meets

Edited by Marc Montoni

***The State Central Committee is the policymaking body of the LPVA.***

**T**he regular meeting of the LPVA was held on Saturday, June 5, 2004 at 1:30 PM at the DoubleTree Hotel in Charlottesville, VA.

The following is a list of actions taken at the meeting.

- **Approved** the Minutes of the March 27, 2004. [Editor's Note: *Official Minutes are available by download from the LPVA website or by requesting a printout from the Secretary.*]

- Reviewed reports (see the official Minutes packet).

- **Approved** a change to Party database use policies.

- **Approved** a Bylaws amendment section regarding CD Organizations.

- **Authorized** the reclassification of the surplus in the Convention Fund to the Local Affiliates Party Committee budget line (PASSED without objection).

- **Approved** an amendment to the bylaws to add Asset Management to the Secretary's duties.

- **Approved** a waiver of a rental fee for campaign materials used by one of the presidential nominees.

- **Authorized** the creation of a committee to assemble a finalized "Libertarian Agenda" for the 2005 General Assembly session, and bring back a proposal to the next meeting. Jeff Bowles, Liz Bowles, Leonard Harris, and Marc Montoni agreed to

serve on this committee.

- **Approved** the next SCC meeting date & place for September 11, 2004, to take place in Richmond, details to be determined by the Chair.

- **Approved** a Resolution officially recognizing Bill Redpath's tremendous efforts towards Ballot Access, noting that he had not only contributed significantly to the VA effort, but had provided extraordinary assistance in petitioning in many other states as well.

### LPVA FINANCIAL CONDITION

The Treasurer reported that as of April 30, 2004, there was \$38,216.60 in the LPVA's checking Account. This amount included balances in several funds, as follows:

BAC	8,012.71
Business Services	3,135.78
Chair Discretionary	500.00
Communications	1,055.16
Copier Fund	288.12
Financial Dev.	1,387.35
General Fund	4,074.33
Local Affiliates	6,315.52
Memb. Development	3,311.05
Political Development	1,700.00
Special Operations	1,506.30
Convention	4,965.56
Targeted	90.00
Virginia Liberty	1,873.72



For the complete Treasurer's Report filed with the SCC, see the LPVA web site or request the Official Minutes from the Secretary.

### Lobbying Push

At the June meeting of the State Central Committee (SCC), it was decided to select a few areas of Virginia law that might be ripe for change. Here is the list of suggested reforms we wish to ask legislators to introduce (some of these already have sponsors):

1. BALLOT ACCESS -- Equalize rules for all political parties (see .; eliminate primaries and have parties all pay for their own candidate selections (choose candidates by convention); and drop the 10% ballot-retention threshold to 5% or less.

2. TAXES -- Reform property taxation ("VOTORS" group is already an ally on this issue); return surpluses to taxpayers.

3. RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS -- Repeal "One Gun a Month"; repeal the restaurant ban on concealed handguns; and Vermont/Alaska carry.

4. EMINENT DOMAIN -- Reform it to reduce abuse by Stadium Authorities and to close off some corporate welfare.

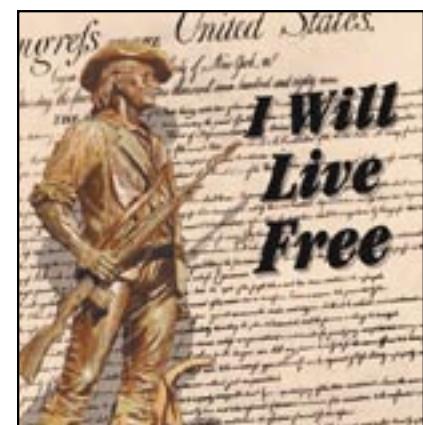
5. EDUCATION -- Enact educational choice to improve quality of education.

6. ABOLISH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD (ABC) -- Abolish it and privatize ABC stores (already have allies in legislature; and Greens are apparently interested in this issue as well).

7. PHOTO RED. One critic of the "photo-red" ordinances, Leonard Harris said this: "If Photo-Red isn't killed in this session, then we should expect to see it

spread from the 3 or 4 localities currently allowed to have it. There is a Motorist's association opposing it already (and it's the same group that stopped the primary seatbelt law.)"

8. CLICK IT OR TICKET -- It did not



pass last session, but like all bad ideas it might rear its ugly head again.

If you feel strongly about any (or all) of these issues and you'd like to try and help us find allies in the General Assembly, please contact Chaiorman Damerell (see page 2).

# Crickenberger, Lark Given National LP's Highest Awards

by Marc Montoni

ATLANTA -- Two respected Virginia LP members were honored by their party at the national convention in Atlanta.

Ron Crickenberger, who passed away in January, 2004, was given the Thomas Jefferson award for lifetime achievement in the LP. Jim Lark received the Samuel Adams award for the most effective activist.

Mr. Crickenberger, who served for several years as the LP's political director, was cited for his many accomplishments during his years of LP activity. This activity included two campaigns for Congress in the Eighth Congressional District of Virginia. Noelle Stettner, Ron's partner, accepted the award.

Dr. Lark, who has been active in the LP since 1984, was cited for many activities, most notably his work in build-

ing campus organizations and his service as chairman of the LP during 2000-2002. He stated, "I am deeply honored by this award. I would also like to thank Barb Goushaw and Geoff Neale, the other finalists, for their tremendous work for liberty. They are also most worthy of the award."

The Jefferson and Adams awards, along with the Thomas Paine award for the most effective communicator of Libertarian ideas, are given at the LP's biennial conventions. Mary Ruwart, author of Healing Our World and well-known Libertarian activist, received the Paine award at the convention.

*[NOTE: This author believes it is especially fitting for Dr. Lark to have received the 'Sam Adams' award, since Lark is well-known in LPVA circles as being a beer enthusiast and brewer. After all, one of the best-known "alternative" beer brands is of course Sam Adams of Boston, MA. -- Ed.J.]*



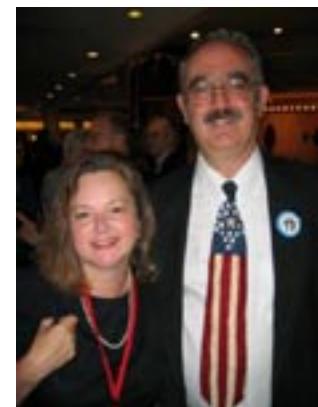
**Jim Lark of Free Union with his Sam Adams LP Activist award.**

## National Convention -- What a Show!!

*Part of the Virginia LP Delegation (with one "interloper" -- former Richmond LP activist Pat Dixon, who now chairs the Texas Libertarian Party) at the Banquet.*



**Liz Bowles (on left), Founder and Chair of the Botetourt County Libertarian Party, and Libertarian Party founder David Nolan**



**Freshly-minted LP presidential candidate Michael Badnarik (on the right) greets his new running mate, Richard Campagna, after the ballots are counted.**



Photos by Jeff and Liz Bowles

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<http://www.lp.org/action/email.html>

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### Badnarik/Campagna E-Mail Newsletter:

<http://www.Badnarik.org/Newsletter/>

## Volunteers Needed!

The Membership Committee is seeking individuals to contact former members IN-PERSON. Personal contact is the most effective method to build an organization.

We are seeking Membership Representatives in all major metropolitan areas of the state.

Spotless references required, as well as a demonstrated willingness to clothe oneself in proper business attire while conducting Party business. Contact: Committee Chairman Marc Montoni, 540-984-4608 (voice and fax) or email <[Membership@LPVA.com](mailto:Membership@LPVA.com)>. Please prepare a letter of interest describing your qualifications, and include your professional resume.

## LPVA lobbyist

The LPVA needs a self-starting volunteer to seek state House and Senate sponsors for several legal reforms on every Libertarian's "wish list". We have a "Legislative Agenda" for the 2005 General Assembly; now we need someone to get our ideas (ballot access reform, tax cuts, etc), introduced on the floor of the General Assembly.

Are you interested in being the "point" person who "gets it done"?

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# GET LOCAL!

Libertarian groups around the state

by Marc Montoni

## Richmond & Vicinity

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY:** Libertarian Party of Chesterfield County. Meeting time & location varies. Greg Dorazio: <ChesterfieldCounty@LPVA.com>.

**HENRICO COUNTY:** "Patrick Henry Supper Club", 1st Tuesdays, 6:00 pm for group dinner, 7:00 pm for the meeting. Sponsored by the Richmond Metro Libertarians. China Buffet 7586 W. Broad St. Richmond, VA 23294 (in Merchants Walk Shopping Center). Leonard Harris, 804-266-6572, or: <RichmondMetro@LPVA.com>.

**HENRICO COUNTY:** Libertarian Party of Henrico County. Monthly meeting at the end of the first PHSC meeting of each quarter. John Mullin, 804-673-9206, or <Henrico@LPVA.com>.

**RICHMOND:** Weekly Social "Hour", every Friday, Sven Shine Inn, 1319 W. Main St, Richmond, VA 23220 (under the Lost Sock Laundry), 6:00-6:30 informal business session 6:30-7:00 social hour. Sponsored by the Richmond Metro Libertarians. Leonard Harris, 804-266-6572, or: <RichmondMetro@LPVA.com>.

**RICHMOND:** City of Richmond LP. Meeting time & location varies. Greg Kontos, 804-355-1637, or <RichmondLP@LPVA.com>.

## Tidewater Area

**ACCOMACK COUNTY:** Accomack County Libertarians. Bob Hutchinson <Accomack@LPVA.com>.

**GLOUCESTER & MATHEWS COUNTIES:** Local LP Now forming. Kevin Arden, <Gloucester@LPVA.com>.

**NEWPORT NEWS:** Peninsula Libertarian Club. James Hicks, 757-591-9322, or <Peninsula@LPVA.com>.

**NORFOLK:** Tidewater Libertarian Party. 2nd Monthly meeting, every third Saturday, 8:30am for breakfast, 9am for the meeting. House of Eggs, 3320 N Military Hwy, Norfolk, VA 23518 (for directions, phone 757-857-1510). Brian Babb, 757-480-5534, or <Tidewater@LPVA.com>.

**SUFFOLK:** City Of Suffolk Libertarians. Martin Robertson, <Suffolk@LPVA.com>.

**VIRGINIA BEACH:** Tidewater Libertarian Party. 1st Monthly meeting -- every first Saturday, 8:30am for breakfast, 9am for the meeting. Old Country Buffet, 1952 Laskin Rd, Virginia Beach, VA. Contact 2nd CD chair, Brian Babb, 757-480-5534, or <Tidewater@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** W&M Libertarians. Now forming. Justin J. Andrews, <jjandr@wm.edu>.

## Charlottesville Area

**CHARLOTTESVILLE:** Jefferson Area Libertarians. For residents OF Charlottesville & Albemarle County. Regular meetings, time and location by announcement. Please call James Curtis, 434-295-4414, 434-973-5958, or write <JAL@LPVA.com>.

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703-715-6230  
<Communications@LPVA.com>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY:** LP of Cumberland County. Contact: Dwight Baker, <Cumberland@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** UVA University Libertarians. ALSO: UVA Students for Individual Liberty. Call Liberty Coalition voicemail at 434-982-5016, or write <JAL@LPVA.com>.

## Shenandoah Valley

**HARRISONBURG:** Harrisonburg/Rockingham LP. Re-organizing. Joseph Rudmin, <HRLP@LPVA.com>.

**PAGE COUNTY:** Page County Libertarians. Dave Switzer <Page@LPVA.com>.

**SHENANDOAH COUNTY:** Shenandoah County LP. Meeting time & location varies; call or write for information. Marc Montoni, 540-984-4608 or <ShenandoahCounty@LPVA.com>.

**WINCHESTER:** Libertarian Party of the Blue Ridge. For residents of Winchester, Clark/Warren/Frederick Counties. Monthly meetings at Coalie Harry's, Old Town Winchester. Call or write for information. Bill Wood, 540-955-0733, or <BlueRidge@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** JMU Libertarians. Now forming. Write <JMU@LPVA.com>.

## Northern Virginia

**ARLINGTON COUNTY:** Arlington Libertarian Committee. Meeting time & location varies; call for information. Shaun Whelden, 703-534-1488, or <Arlington@LPVA.com>.

**ARLINGTON COUNTY:** "Farlandria Libertarian Social Hour", every Wednesday, 5:30 to 7:00 pm, Hamburger Hamlet, Crystal Square shopping center. Dana Johansen, 703-960-9120, or <Farlandria@LPVA.com>.



**FAIRFAX COUNTY:** LP of Fairfax County. Monthly meeting, 3rd Mondays, 6:45 pm, Harvest Moon Restaurant, Falls Church. Also sponsors monthly Potluck parties, always on the Saturday before the regular meeting. Dana Johansen, 703-960-9120, or <FairfaxLP@LPVA.com>.

**LOUDOUN COUNTY:** LP of Loudoun County. Now re-organizing. Bill Redpath, 703-779-4694, or <Loudoun@LPVA.com>.

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY:** LP of Prince William County. Monthly meeting, 2nd Mondays; Pizza Gourmet, 12425 Hedges Run Dr., Woodbridge (Directions -- 703-491-9343). Social hour 7:00 p.m., business meeting 7:30. Kathy Mullin, 703-221-9875, or: <PrinceWilliam@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** GMU College Libertarians: Meeting time & location varies; call for information. Greg Carpenter, 703-975-4133 or <CollegeLibertarian@LPVA.com>; or Chuck Eby, 703-378-1188, <Webmaster@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** GMU Students for Individual Liberty: Meeting time & location varies; call for information. Zachary Gochenhour, 703-993-5287, or <GMU@LPVA.com>; or Chuck Eby 703-378-1188, <Webmaster@LPVA.com>.

## Roanoke and Vicinity

**BOTETOURT COUNTY:** Botetourt County Libertarians. Monthly meetings, 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Fincastle Library (Back Door), 11 Academy St., Fincastle. Liz Bowles, <Botetourt@LPVA.com>.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY:** Franklin County Libertarians. Charles Pasley, 540-721-2012 or: <FranklinCounty@LPVA.com>.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY:** New River Libertarians. For residents of Montgomery, Giles, Pulaski, and Floyd counties. Re-organizing. Please contact Jonathan McGlumphy, 540-231-3708, <NewRiver@LPVA.com>.

**ROANOKE COUNTY:** Roanoke Valley Libertarian Party. For members residing in Roanoke, Salem, and Roanoke County. Monthly meeting, 1st Mondays, 6:30 pm 8:00 pm, Roanoke County Public Library (central branch), 3131 Electric Rd (for directions, phone 54-772-7507). Charles and Angell Pasley, 540-767-1776 or <Roanoke@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** VWCC: Libertarians of Virginia Western Community College. Brad Bowles: <VirginiaWestern@LPVA.com>

**COLLEGE:** VT: Virginia Tech Libertarians. Jonathan McGlumphy, 540-231-3708 or <VT@LPVA.com>.

## Lynchburg & Vicinity

**BEDFORD COUNTY:** LP of Bedford County. Rebekah Hoskins, <BedfordCounty@LPVA.com>

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY:** LP of Brunswick County. Mike Eck, <Brunswick@LPVA.com>

**CHARLOTTE COUNTY:** LP of Charlotte County. John Spadavecchia, 434-248-6610, or: <CharlotteCounty@LPVA.com>.

**HALIFAX COUNTY:** LP of Halifax County. Kelly Shaw, <Halifax@LPVA.com>.

**LUNENBURG COUNTY:** LP of Lunenburg County. Steve Kirkpatrick, 434-696-1714 or <Lunenburg@LPVA.com>.

**LYNCHBURG:** Lynchburg Libertarian League. For residents of Lynchburg and surrounding counties. Monthly meetings, 2nd Mondays, 6:30 pm, Monte Carlo Restaurant across from Applebee's on Old Forest Road, in Lynchburg. Dave Overstreet, 540-587-7597 or <Lynchburg@LPVA.com>

**MARTINSVILLE:** Martinsville Libertarian Committee. Garrett Rose, 276-629-3968 at home, 434-296-8159 at school, or write <Martinsville@LPVA.com>.

## Peninsula

**ESSEX COUNTY:** Northern Neck Libertarians. Michael O'Quinn, 804-443-1965, <NorthernNeck@LPVA.com>.

**FREDERICKSBURG:** Fredericksburg Area Libertarians. Stew Engel or Robert Buchanan, 540-582-8781 (Robert).

**ORANGE COUNTY:** Orange County Libertarians. Don Ober, 540-672-2793 or <OrangeCounty@LPVA.com>.

## Southwest Virginia

**BUCHANAN COUNTY:** Buchanan County LP. Michael Wilson: <BuchananCounty@LPVA.com>.

**LEE COUNTY:** Lee County LP. Mike Porter <LeeCounty@LPVA.com>.

**COLLEGE:** ASL. Libertarian Society at Appalachian School of Law. Michael Wilson <ASL@LPVA.com>.

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**CANOPY:** 9x9 tent/canopy. STORAGE LOCATION: Charlottesville. Call Jim Lark, 434-973-5958, or email <jwl3s@virginia.edu>.

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**TABLE & BANNER:** STORAGE LOCATION: Roanoke. Call Andy Akers, 540-387-1094 or email <chester89@yahoo.com> to inquire.

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