



# The Liberty Quill

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## News from the Chair

Fellow Libertarians,

This month I want to reflect on volunteerism.

Libertarians are often associated with a to-each-their-own attitude. We encourage self-sustaining policies and principles. It's easy for people outside of our circle to misinterpret this as being selfish; however, I've not yet met this selfish Libertarian. Every Libertarian I've interacted with is not one because they care about what's good for their own person, but because they care about what's good for everyone.



The left side of politics wants to see people fed. Libertarians want to see people thrive. We understand the value of having a healthy culture of competition. We understand the value of being able to laterally move through society. We understand the value of innovation. We support and advocate policies that enable social progress. And most importantly, we know that the best social services and positive impact on struggling communities come from the non-profits that work locally and directly to solve issues.

Libertarians practice what they preach. We volunteer. Our local members foster children, donate blood, offer outreach to the homeless, volunteer during natural disasters, and donate money to more causes than I can list. We do it when the press isn't looking, when there are no elections, and for causes we are individually passionate about. This year, April 7th through 14th is National Volunteer Week and I want to encourage each of you to find some way to help us show this wonderful side of Libertarianism that often gets overlooked. This will be the one week I will ask that you not be modest about how we positively impact the communities around us;

share your stories of volunteerism on social media and with your neighbors, or send your stories into us so we can highlight how volunteerism and nonprofits can do more for our communities than any omnibus government-issued plan could.

With Liberty,



Chair, LP SCC

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## Fresh off the Press: San Jose Mayor's Proposed Gun Rules May Jeopardize Our Safety

San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and Vice Mayor Chappie Jones issued a memorandum last week to revise local laws governing firearm sales. They proposed the idea in response to the pending Congressional gun laws that are likely to fail. More specifically, their memo outlines new regulations for all licensees of vendor permit holders, prohibition of the sale of any firearms and ammunition within or from a residence, and requirements for regulation of "downloadable firearms."....

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## LPC Convention is One Month Away!

The Libertarian Party of California is holding its annual convention next month. This is the big event of the year, where Libertarians and the like-minded gather to network and learn from influential speakers, and delegates make impactful decisions regarding the party direction. The 2019 LPC Convention will include elections of our state officers and executive committee, including the new positions of Vice-Chair and Area Coordinators.

In addition to party business, we will be hosting a long list of amazing speakers, including renowned economist David Friedman, founder of the Seasteading Institute Patri Friedman, former Libertarian Vice Presidential candidate and California Superior Court judge Jim Gray, Ugandan Director of Action for Liberty and Economic Development Mugabi John Socrates, Managing Director of the Libertarian Institute and Editorial Director at Antiwar.com Scott Horton, Libertarian Candidate for Governor of New York Larry Sharpe, Libertarian Party officers Nick Sarwark, Alex Merced, and Caryn Ann Harlos, and many more!

Attendance at the business portion of the convention is free for party members. For a small registration fee, you can also gain access to the list of amazing speakers and help the party further liberty. As we lead up to the 2020 presidential elections, staying informed and connected will help all libertarians throughout the state!

[Visit the LPC Site for more information on this event: ca.lp.org/convention](https://ca.lp.org/convention)

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# From the Front Lines: Sleeping Bags for the Homeless

The Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County recently organized a group volunteer day. One of our executive committee members, Jonathan, had previous experience with Sleeping Bags for the Homeless of Silicon Valley, and encouraged the local party to expand on his efforts. Sleeping Bags for the Homeless (SB4TH) is a locally-focused organization that provides outreach and supplies to homeless encampments within Santa Clara County, focusing on humanizing our struggling community members by providing donations: professional clothing for the working homeless, toiletries to help them maintain not just physical health but mental wellbeing, sleeping bags to help fend off these cold nights, and more.... [<continue reading>](#)

Watch Jonathan's documentation of our volunteering ... [<SCCLP YouTube>](#)

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## The Eagle Eye

Local focus on city issues that fortify or threaten your liberties [<read more>](#)

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## News From Our Neighbors...

News, Events, and Activism from our Libertarian Party Neighbors in the nine county Bay Area region. [<read more>](#)

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## Upcoming Events

Don't miss these upcoming meetings and events....

- [March 9, 2019](#)  
[LPC Bylaws Roundtable \(Sunnyvale\)](#)
  - [March 14, 2019](#)  
[Ayn Rand Institute Chairman Yaron Brook at the Berkeley Forum \(Berkeley\)](#)
  - [March 16, 2019](#)  
[Q1 Central Committee Meeting \(Milpitas\)](#)
  - [March 18, 2019](#)  
[AIER "T.R.M. Howard" with Linda Beito \(San Jose\)](#)
  - [April 5-7, 2019](#)  
[LPC Convention \(Concord\)](#)
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