

Highest number of candidates ever! Anywhere! Anytime! Over 300 Libertarian Candidates in California!

Operation Breakthrough, the LPC’s ambitious candidate-recruitment effort, has succeeded beyond expectations, resulting in 182 Libertarian candidates contesting 186 non-partisan offices on the November ballot.

Adding the non-partisan candidates who ran earlier this year plus the LPC’s 113 partisan candidates brings the total number of Libertarian candidates in 2000 to a record 305, the most for any Libertarian state party ever – and 52% over the LPC’s stated goal of 200 candidates for the year.

Operation Breakthrough has also produced other positive results, including:

- At least six Libertarian candidates who already won their elections by default due to not enough candidates contesting the election — resulting in six new Libertarian officeholders, including two elected to the same board.
- The discovery of another half-dozen sitting Libertarian officeholders who were previously unknown to the party.
- A list of 229 potential future Libertarian candidates who were not able to run this year.
- A whopping 403 registered Libertarians who expressed an interest in becoming dues-paying members and were sent membership applications.

“The good news just keeps on coming,” said Ros. “Clearly this is something we as a party needed to do. By reaching out to registered Libertarians, we have energized and grown the party, won some elections already, and have established a farm team of Libertarians who want to make a positive difference in their communities.”

The candidates who have already won their elections by default are:

- Geoff Braun, Placentia Library District (Orange County)
- Gilbert Carroll, Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District (Santa Clara County)
- John Dennison, Alexander Valley Unified School District (Sonoma County)
- Ray English, Descanso Community Planning District (San Diego County)
- Kelly McKnight, La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District (San Mateo County)
- Gary Molle, Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District (Santa Clara County)

“I’d like to congratulate these Libertarians for making a commitment to advance liberty at the local level,” Ros said. “Hopefully on November 7 we can add many more names to this list!”

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LP POSITIONS ON PROPOSITIONS



The Executive Committee of the LPC has taken the following positions on propositions to be voted on in the November election.

- NO** Prop. 32: AB2305 “Bond: Veteran's Bond Act of 2000”
- NO** Prop. 33: ACA 12 “Legislature: Retirement”
- [NEW]** Prop. 34: SB 1223 “Campaign Contributions and Expenditures”
(No position taken yet)
- YES** Prop. 35: “Public Works Projects. Use of Private Contractors for Engineering and Architectural Services. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.”
- YES** Prop. 36: “Drug Treatment Diversion Program. Initiative Statute.”
- YES** Prop. 37: “Fees, Taxes. New Definitions, Vote Requirements. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.”
- YES** Prop. 38: “School Vouchers. State-Funded Private and Religious Education. Public School Funding. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.”
- NO!** Prop. 39: “School Facilities. 55% Local Vote. Bonds, Taxes. Accountability Requirements. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.”
(Son of Prop. 26)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Harry was a Hit!

Harry Browne was on a major Fox Network cable show (August 22)—the O'Reilly Factor—with temporary host Michael Reagan. IMO he scored a perfect 10. Rapidly and without hesitation he eloquently countered a number of digging assertions/questions with calm confidence and appealing explanations. It's hard to imagine a better showing in such a short segment, and the show reaches a big audience of the type of people who vote. (Partial transcript at <http://foxnews.com/fn99/channel/oreilly/segment.sml>)

*Marvin B. Rudin, Chairman,
Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County*

An Education for All of Us!

There was an excellent article in the *Wall Street Journal* (August 23) on the recent rapid improvement of immigrants' test scores in California (the state curtailed bilingual education two years ago). The article does a good job of describing "the Poverty Pentagon." This welfare infrastructure is the liberals' version of the military/industrial complex—a huge public/private welfare employment complex for allies of the Democratic Party.

THAT commitment is the reason that Democrat Party leadership so strongly opposes English immersion — it has absolutely NOTHING to do with what is best for the kids. Indeed, they support such policies IN SPITE OF what is best for the kids.

Richard Rider, RRider@san.rr.com

I Pledge ...

This is "my version" of the Libertarian Pledge. I think it is simple and clear, yet you can derive every Libertarian policy, platform plank, and position from this starting point.

"I will not use force except in self defense."

Marvin Simkin, msimkin@primenet.com

Mandatory is still Mandatory

I'm against Prop 36 (Mandatory Drug Treatment) because:

1. Only a minority of drug users (~20%) have an addiction problem. It is unconscionable to force the rest into treatment.
2. No evidence exists that government-coerced treatment works. Studies that have shown positive effects of treatment involve voluntary populations.
3. Prop 36 is a full employment bill for addiction counselors. The professional success of these counselors should be a function of consumer satisfaction, not of government mandate.
4. Most individuals who have overcome drug problems have succeeded on their own, without the help of treatment.
5. It is wrong to finance drug treatment by taxing people who would otherwise have used this money to help their own families, rather than for this lower priority in their personal budget.
6. The history of alcohol prohibition in the U.S. demonstrates that drug-related crime results from drug prohibition, not from the lack of forced treatment.
7. Prop 36 diverts us from the real solution to the drug nightmare: decriminalizing all drug activity—using, selling, and producing—immediately.

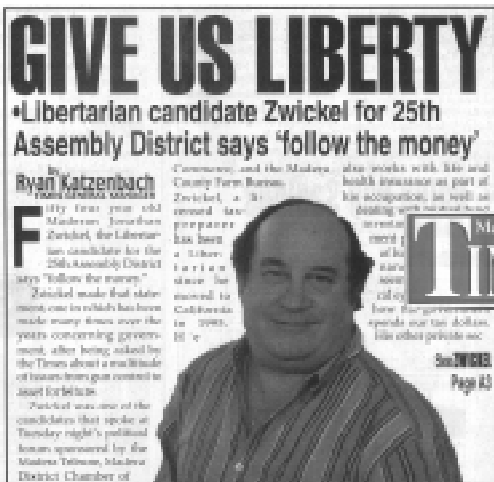
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Help the Libertarian Party of California

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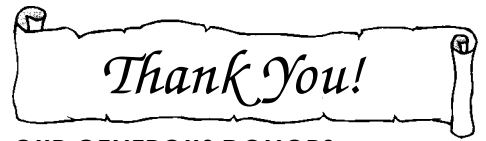


Zwickel is Front Page News!

Libertarian Candidate Jonathan Zwickel made the front page of the *Madera County Times* with his name in 24 point type! Jonathan notes that a Libertarian candidate can get coverage. His suggestions:

- Don't be a stranger – visit your local newspaper where you (a local resident) are news.
- Talk to the editor, publisher, and writers.
- Subscribe.
- Write letters to the editor and op-ed pieces.
- Send them information about your campaign.
- Ask for article!

LIBERTARIAN PARTY UPDATE



OUR GENEROUS DONORS

The Libertarian Party of California gratefully thanks the following individuals who generously contributed \$250 or more to our Operation Breakthrough candidate recruitment project (see front page story):

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MONTHLY PLEDGE WATCH

July Pledges: \$4,827.15

Thank you to the following new state Monthly Pledgers, or current Pledgers who increased their monthly contribution:

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To join our Monthly Pledge Program, contribute to Operation Breakthrough, or make a general contribution for party operations, please contact Juan Ros at (818) 782-8400, or E-mail: director@ca.lp.org.



MARK HINKLE

From the Chair:

We, as a Party, set two main internal goals this year:

1. Increase our dues-paying membership to 7,000
2. Increase our monthly pledge base to \$6,000 per month.

Goal 1: The latest membership numbers I have are from July 31st and they're NOT good. Our membership figure now stands at 6174. This is a one-month drop of 42 members. However, Operation Breakthrough may wipe out that dip. We are submitting new donor

names, \$25 or more donated, for membership. Over 500 pledged more than \$20,000, but that includes some who are currently paid members. I'll report next month if we're back on track.

Goal 2: The new monthly pledge total is \$4,827.15 coming from 223 individuals.

The National Convention was in Anaheim. I've been attending LP conventions since 1975 and this was the most professionally run event ever. We selected our presidential and vice presidential candidates, party officers, and revised the party platform. We had the opportunity to meet Libertarians from all over the nation.

LPC endorsed the goal of running 200 candidates in 2000 as our part of the LNC's goal. When the Executive Committee endorsed this goal, I'm sure I wasn't the only one wondering how we were going to pull it off. Like our partisan candidate recruiting this last spring, there was great teamwork from the LNC, the LPC staff, and local volunteers, an inspired idea from Aaron Starr, and some major donors, as well as the LNC, who funded the whole project. The net result of this great teamwork was 305 candidates this year. This is more than twice our best previous number.

Money is running short. Isn't it always?

With a new office, new part-time staff, and the expenses of Operation Breakthrough, we have reluctantly had to make some severe cutbacks in the publication of this newsletter. Our revised schedule is printed issues for September and December - all other issues will be available online only.

If you're able, please join our monthly credit card pledge program or make a one-time donation. Help us elect Libertarians to office this year! Think of the monthly pledge program as a Freedom 401/K plan, i.e. an investment in your future freedom and the freedom of the country.

Your participation and contributions fuel our successes.

Yours in liberty, Mark W. A. Hinkle

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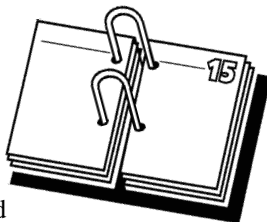
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CALENDAR

**Thursday, September 7, 2000,
Oakland**

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Over 300 Candidates!

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According to an analysis of the remaining contested races that was only half complete at press time, at least seven Libertarians are facing two-way races against a single challenger. One of these — Frank Raymonde, a Utility Plant Operator from Walnut Creek seeking a seat on the Contra Costa Water District board of directors from Division 3 — has already been threatened with a lawsuit by his opponent, the incumbent, over his ballot designation.

“Frank’s opponent feels threatened and will do whatever he can to weaken Frank’s position,” Ros said. “The incumbent thought he would get a free ride back into office to control a government agency with an annual budget of \$88 million. Fortunately, a well-qualified Libertarian stepped forward to give the incumbent a run for his money.”

Continued Ros, “The lawsuit is frivolous and, if he does take Frank to court, I am certain that Frank will prevail. This is exactly the kind of hardball politics Libertarians will face as we grow and contest more races!”

Other Libertarians running in at-large seats — those in which two or more candidates are elected — are also the only challengers to entrenched incumbents.

Orange County will be fielding the most non-partisan candidates, with 38 Libertarians seeking office. Los Angeles County is second, with 33, followed by San Diego with 20. Candidates in 22 other counties are also running.

Ros added, “There are so many individuals to thank who put a lot of hard work into this project, starting with the donors who made Operation Breakthrough possible (see acknowledgment on page 3). I’d also like to thank the members of the LPC Executive Committee for having the wisdom and insight to realize the potential of this project. Finally, I’d like to express my gratitude to the many local candidate coordinators who helped me process the hundreds of prospective candidates, but special thanks to: Thomas Stott in San Diego County, Bill Hajdu and Brian Cross in Orange County, Scott Lieberman and Joe Dehn in Santa Clara County, Mark Dierolf in Monterey County, Jack Hickey in San Mateo County, Gene Frazier in Sacramento, Frank Manske and Scott Wilson in the East Bay, Sandi Webb and Dan Weiner in Ventura County, and Ted Brown, Mark Selzer, Audrey Carlan, George White, and Bruce Dovner in L.A. County.”

So what is the future of Operation Breakthrough? “Now that we have this experience under our belt, we can repeat this project year after year. Project designer Aaron Starr and I are already discussing strategy for 2001, when many counties will be holding special district elections and turnout is historically low,” Ros noted.

“This was only the beginning. Look out, statists. The Libertarians are here!”

September 15–17, Los Angeles

The Great Western Gun Show, which is advertised as the world’s largest firearms, blade and militaria show, has returned to the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds (from Las Vegas). Web site: www.greatwesternshow.com. E-mail: info@greatwesternshow.com.

Sunday, September 17, San Diego

Libertarian Supper Club features speaker Mark Arner de France on “False Child Abuse Central Index.” (See article by Mark in August online issue of this newsletter.) Coco’s Restaurant, 5955 Balboa. Meet at 6:15 PM, dinner at 6:45 and speaker at 7:30. Cost of \$15 includes choice of beef, chicken or vegetarian dinner and beverage. Program alone is \$5. Contact: Tom Hohman, 44lesstaxes@home.com (858) 759-0808.

Sunday, September 17, Constitution Day

Sunday, September 17, Temecula

Gene Trosper is coordinating a checkpoint demonstration at the Temecula checkpoint to support a resolution that calls for the closure of INS checkpoints on Interstates 5 and 15. Contact Gene at gtrosper@ez2.net

Wednesday, September 27, Lompoc

Central Coast Libertarian Forum, 7 PM at the Grossman Gallery at Lompoc Library, 501 East North Ave. Program includes Joe Furcinite, LP Congressional Candidate and Robert Backaus, Santa Barbara Central Committee Secretary. U.S. Senate Candidate Gail Lighfoot will stop by. The film *The Great Libertarian Offer* with LP Presidential Candidate Harry Browne will be shown. Refreshments, Q&A, Open Discussion. No Charge.

October 7 – 8, San Diego

Gun Show at Del Mar Fairgrounds. There will be a Libertarian booth.

Tuesday, November 7, VOTE!

Election Day! Be sure to vote for the Libertarians in your area! About 300 Libertarians are running!

Notice to local LP chairs:

Please E-mail your events for this calendar to
CALIFLIB@aol.com

* REVISED REVISION TO * NEWSLETTER YEAR 2000 SCHEDULE

The current budget allows the following schedule for this newsletter for the balance of the year: September (printed), October (online), November (online), December (printed). Only the September and December issues will be printed and mailed.

All issues are online at <http://www.ca.lp.org/lpcm/>

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For a complete list of Libertarian candidates sorted by county, by type of office, and alphabetically, visit the LPC web site at <http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/>.

Alphabetically by name: <http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/alpha.html>

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AROUND THE STATE

NOTEWORTHY WEB SITES!

ADVOCATES FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT

<http://www.self-gov.org/>

CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT INFO

Register to vote: <http://www.ss.ca.gov>

CALIFORNIA LIBERTARIAN PARTY

<http://www.ca.lp.org/>

BONNIE FLICKINGER FOR ASSEMBLY

<http://www.Flickinger4assembly.com>

DRUG WAR CLOCK

Shows what the "War on Drugs" has cost taxpayers so far this year!

<http://www.drugsense.org/wodclock.htm>

GET GOVERNMENT OUT OF HI-TECH

<http://www.techleadership.org>

GROW THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY

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GUN OWNERS HOME PAGE

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Alphabetically by name:

<http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/alpha.html>

Listing by county:

<http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/local.html>

Listing by type:

<http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/local-type.html>

Federal/State Candidates:

<http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/>

LP CONVENTION REPLAYED

If you missed parts of the LP national convention or like to watch some segment over again via the internet, go to:

<http://www.c-span.org/Campaign2000/libertarian.asp>

LPC EXEC COM MINUTES

Site under construction. Includes minutes and other documents.

http://www.sandiwebb.com/lp/documents/documents_default.html

LPC ACTIVIST RESOURCES

<http://www.ca.lp.org/act/>

LIBERTARIAN PARTY NATIONAL

<http://www.lp.org>

LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL PLATFORM

Includes changes made at the July 2000 convention. <http://www.dehnbase.org/lpus/library/platform/>

LIGHTFOOT FOR SENATE CAMPAIGN

<http://www.Lightfoot2000.org>

LP NAT'L CONVENTION PHOTOS

<http://www.driveway.com/share?sid=1cc9dd4f.87ddb&name=LP+Convention+2000>

STEVE KUBBY TRIAL AND INFO

<http://www.kubby.com/AMMA.html>

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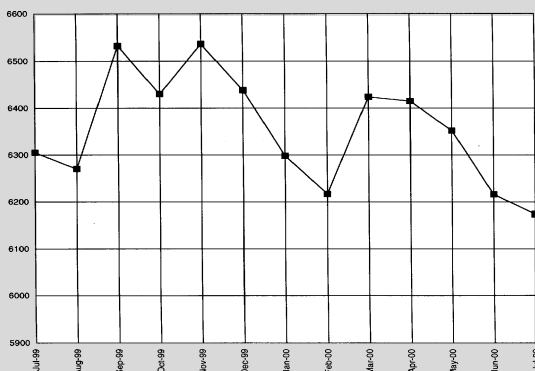


RICHARD CARDULLA BILLBOARD BEING VIEWED BY THOUSANDS

This billboard is located on the major north-south freeway (I-5) and another that moves around the cities in the district. Richard has been seen on local TV news marching for the 2nd Amendment, and speaking for Medical Marijuana patients (Prop. 215).

Cardulla for Assembly, 2635 J St. San Diego 92104 (619) 232-5901

Growth Watch Goal: 7,000 Membership July 31, 2000: 6174



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OHIO: A FIVE DAY THIRST

A new Ohio law requires anyone buying five or more kegs of beer to fill out a form with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, and then wait five days before picking up the beer. The law, dubbed "Five in Five," also gives law enforcement the right to search the site of a beer party without first obtaining a search warrant. Several other states – including Iowa, New Hampshire, Kansas, and Pennsylvania – have similar laws or are considering similar legislation, according to Fox News. And Maryland requires all kegs of beer to be registered with the state government.


Libertarian Party press release, August 9, 2000

INDIANAPOLIS: RESTRICTS VIDEO GAMES

Coin-operated video games in which people are decapitated, dismembered, mutilated or maimed will be off-limits to children in Indianapolis. The law requires coin-operated games featuring graphic violence or strong sexual content to have warning labels and be kept at least 10 feet from nonviolent game machines. They must also be separated by a curtain or wall so minors cannot view them. The law bars people under age 18 from such games unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. Businesses can be fined \$200 a day for each violation. A business with three violations in one year could be forbidden from offering violent games or have its amusement license revoked. *Associated Press*, July 17, 2000

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IRAQ: OPENS FIRST INTERNET CAFE – WITH A CATCH

The Iraqi government has opened the country's first Internet cafe. Patrons of the Internet cafe in Baghdad are allowed to browse ONLY web sites that have been government-screened to assure they do not violate "the precepts of Islamic religion" or offend "morals and ethics."

The San Diego Union-Tribune, August 19, 2000

BRITAIN: E-MAIL SURVEILLANCE RULES ADOPTED

The British government has approved a bill to allow police to trawl private E-mails. The government says the bill updates police powers to intercept and monitor communications. People who refuse to yield encryption codes could face up to two years in jail.

The San Diego Union-Tribune, July 27, 2000

USA: CARNIVORE MAY DEVOUR US!

Carnivore is an eavesdropping device housed in a tangle of electronics the size of a laptop. The FBI wants to deploy Carnivore boxes at the main computers of all Internet service providers to provide an efficient way for the FBI to conduct court-approved wiretaps on E-mail. *USA Today*, July 25, 2000



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School Bond is Disputed

The Long Beach Unified School District is being sued for misusing district funds to promote the passage of the school construction bond, Measure A, which was approved by voters in March 1999. The suit is being brought by Albert Juliano and Sherri Torres. Los Angeles attorney Manny Klausner (long-time Libertarian), who is representing Juliano and Torres, said district officials misused public funds for voter registration and get-out-the-vote efforts that targeted only parents and other likely supporters of the bond issue.

Kubby Trial Begins

The long-delayed trial of medical marijuana activist and 1998 Libertarian candidate for governor Steve Kubby will finally be getting under way in Auburn (Placer County). Opening arguments are expected on September 5. At the opening of the trial, Steve and Michele were joined by supporters including Gail Lightfoot, Libertarian Candidate for U.S. Senate and Richard Cowan, Editor of Marijuana News, among others. For further information about the Kubby case and this trial, visit: <http://www.kubby.com/AMMA.html>

Kriho Case Dismissed

Legal experts say the Kriho case was the first time in over 300 years that a juror was prosecuted based on evidence of how they deliberated and voted in the jury room. Kriho was tried for contempt of court after she was the lone holdout on a jury in a methamphetamine possession case in May 1996. In February 1997, Gilpin County District Court Judge Henry Nieto (now a Colorado appellate judge) convicted Kriho of a precedent-setting new crime: failure to volunteer answers to questions that were not actually asked of her during jury selection.

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 Libertarian Party of California
 14547 Titus St. #214
 Panorama City CA 91402-4935

Please Print:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phones/H & W: _____
 E-mail: _____

The Libertarian Party is the Party of Principle.
 To assure and affirm that our party never strays from its principles,
 we request our members to sign the pledge below.
 (Non-signers cannot vote on party business.)

*I hereby certify that I do not believe in or
 advocate the initiation of force as a means
 of achieving political or social goals.*

Signature: _____

Membership Application

I choose to set my dues at:

- \$25 Basic _____
- \$100 Sustaining _____
- \$250 Sponsor _____
- \$500 Patron _____
- \$1000 Life _____

Plus additional contributions:

- \$ _____ Monthly Pledge to LPC _____
 - \$ _____ Monthly Pledge to my Region _____
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 - \$ _____ One-time Donation to my Region _____
- Total:** _____

Payment:

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