



Coming Up

September 29, 2007

State Committee meeting.
 Gayton Branch - Henrico
 Library, Richmond. 11 a.m.

October 8, 2007

Last Day To Register to
 Vote for the November 2007
 election

October 30, 2007

Last Day To Apply for
 Absentee Ballot, by mail or
 fax

November 3, 2007

Last Day To Apply for
 Absentee Ballot (in-person, at
 local registrar's office)

November 6, 2007

General Election
 statewide
Remember to Vote!
No Libertarian on the ballot?
Write In!

March 2008

**LPVA State Convention
 Business -- Elect National
 Delegates & state LP
 officers; amend LPVA
 Constitution. NOTE:**
 Membership in LPVA
 required in order to get a
 voting credential.

May 22-26, 2008

LP National Convention
 Denver, Colorado
 (Memorial Day weekend)

*To serve as a delegate from
 Virginia, you must be elected
 by the members at the state
 convention.*

Tabor Announces

Wm. Donald Tabor Jr., DDS of Chesapeake has qualified for the November 6, 2007, ballot for the 14th Senate District in Virginia. Tabor is Vice Chairman of the Tidewater Libertarian Party affiliate, the 4th Congressional District representative to the Virginia Libertarian Party State Central Committee and a dentist in practice in Norfolk and Hampton, VA.

The 14th District seat is currently held by Republican Harry Blevins, a "moderate" who supported the very unpopular Hampton Roads Regional Transportation Authority, and is regarded as vulnerable in the conservative district straddling portions of the cities of Chesapeake and Virginia Beach.

There is no Democrat on the ballot. The recent victory of anti-tax Republican Patricia Stall in neighboring Newport News over Senate Transportation Committee Chairman Marty Williams in the GOP primary demonstrates the vulnerability of tax-and-spend Senate Republicans to a challenge by a true advocate of low taxes and smaller government.

The spending of nearly half a million dollars by Williams and his supporters to



Stall's \$30,000 also demonstrates the lengths to which the GOP is willing to go to protect their incumbents. It also clearly demonstrates the sentiment among the voters and proves that a giant war chest is not the sole indicator of victory. Tabor hopes to overcome a certain financial disadvantage with grassroots effort and heavy reliance on cost-effective Internet campaigning.

The campaign web site is:

www.TaborVaSenate.com

Tabor's campaign will serve as a soapbox for expressing the Libertarian
See 'Tabor', Page 6

Va Libertarian Fights Goochland

Tricky County Board Members Spurn Businessman

By Marc Montoni

When libertarian Andrew Dykers wrote to his local zoning board in Goochland County, little did he know he'd reignite a tempest from years ago.

Dykers, 77, owns the Orapax quail hunting preserve on his 672-acre property off state Route 6 in eastern Goochland.

From 1989 to 1991, he ran a shooting range alongside his hunting resort. But when neighbors complained about the noise, the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance requiring a conditional use permit for the business. He applied for one and was denied, forcing him to shutter the operation, he said.

Now, he's trying again. When the county Board of Supervisors reissued the zoning ordinances for agricultural land last year, the language restricting shooting ranges disappeared. The remaining ordinance section allowed for undefined accessory uses on farmland (meaning no permits were required).

Dykers said he believes that a sporting clays range would be just such an accessory use. In March, Dykers asked county officials

One-Minute Liberty Tip

Don't Begin With An Apology!

By Sharon Harris, Advocates President

Suppose you had a really nice house you wanted to sell. When a prospective buyer came by, would your opening line be, "You may have heard about houses like this falling down, but that's not true about this house."

If you owned a restaurant, would you advertise, "Our burgers aren't the kind that make people sick -- honest!"

Of course you wouldn't. But that's exactly what I've heard many libertarians do when they're introducing others to libertarian ideas.

They begin with, "There are lots of misconceptions about libertarianism." Or, "I know you've heard that libertarians don't care about the poor, but I'm not like that." Or, "Despite the rumors, it's not true that Lyndon LaRouche is a libertarian."

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Candidate Call!

LPVA to Elect Representative to the national LP's Platform Committee

By Marc Montoni

Consider this a formal Call for Candidates. The LPVA apparently has won a seat on the Platform Committee at the next national Convention (see "coming up, at right).

Individuals interested in being considered for this position are encouraged to send their Letter of Interest to the Secretary so that it can be distributed to the SCC before the next meeting on September 29.

This is an at-will appointment; Virginia's Platform Committee representative serves at the pleasure of the SCC; in addition, there is a chance that the members attending the Virginia LP convention next March may choose to overrule the SCC and appoint someone different (this author's educated guess is that will be unlikely as long as the work is getting done).

Those who have solid plans to 1) attend the convention and 2) any Platform Committee meetings the week of the convention 3) intend to be diligent in their duties will have an advantage in the selection process.

The Platform Committee is already discussing the issues, so be prepared to "jump in" if selected by the SCC on September 29.

Letters of Interest with resumes attached should be directed to:

ATTN: SCC Platform Committee Rep
 c/o Marc Montoni, Secretary
 PO Box 28263
 Richmond VA 23228-0263

You may also fax it to 804-288-2766, or email via <Secretary@LPVA.com>.

How's That Prohibition Thing Working For Us, Anyway?

Federal Ban Turns 70

By James W. Harris

August 2 marked the 70th anniversary of federal marijuana prohibition. On that day in 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the deceptively-titled Marijuana Tax Act (actually a prohibition measure) into law.

The bill was passed after a Congressional "debate" that reads like a Marx Brothers (Groucho or Karl, your choice) screenplay.

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Local Activities

Events in Virginia



Why are these people smiling? Because they were having a great time finding out about liberty at the Steppin' Out festival in Blacksburg, Virginia. The young lady with the biggest smile (plotting a quiz-taker's answers on the chart, above) is Christine Malady, President of LP@VT. Others shown are some of the scores of interested individuals who stopped by the booth. Photos by Liz Bowles.

Don't see *your* local affiliate activities here? So.... Take photos, write a review, and send them in! We can't print what we don't receive!

ARE YOU READY TO RUN FOR OFFICE?

The LPVA is eager to help you. The first step you should take is to fill out the prospective candidate form on our website:

Campaign.LPVA.com

The form requests basic information (your name, the office you're interested in seeking, and related data). Once you submit it, LPVA officers will contact you promptly to discuss how the state committee can help you.

Try it! You may also leave a message on the LPVA message line: **703-715-6230**; or send a message to **<SCC-All@LPVA.com>**.

If you have questions about reporting requirements or qualifications, call the State Board of Elections at 800 552-9745, or visit them on the web: www.sbe.state.va.us

Elections 2007

GENERAL ELECTIONS: NOVEMBER 6, 2007.

- **Virginia Senate** (40 districts) (4-yr term)
- **House of Delegates** (100 districts) (2-yr term)
- **Soil and Water Directors** (4-year term)
- **County Clerk of Circuit Court** (8-yr term)
- **Commonwealth's Attorney** (4-yr term)
- **Sheriff** (4-yr term)
- **Commissioner of Revenue** (4-yr term)
- **Treasurer**
- **Boards of Supervisors** (95 counties)
- **School Boards** (84 counties)
- **Town Council**, Town of Floyd (4-year term).

Note 1: Soil and Water Conservation District Directors are elected every four years in some counties and cities; see specific schedule for this office.

Note 2: If a City shares Clerk of Circuit Court, Commonwealth's Attorney, Sheriff, and Treasurer with a County, then the City elects at same time as County.

Elections 2008

- 2/12 **Presidential Primary**
- 2/12 **Primary for May local elections**
- 5/6 **May local elections**
- 6/12 **Primary for May local elections**
- 11/4 **General election**

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VL Hero Award

By Jim Lark

This is the seventeenth in a series of articles designed to recognize the efforts of volunteers who are tireless in their work for liberty.

The intent is to change the culture many of our "best and brightest" face within the Party, to one which gives stellar volunteers the praise and appreciation they are due.

This issue, *Virginia Liberty's* editorial staff hopes all Libertarians will join us in a loud round of applause for:

Anne Panella

Anne is an important reason why the activity level of the Libertarian Party in the New River Valley area has increased greatly during the past five years.

Anne, who lives in Giles County with her family, currently serves as the chair of the New River Libertarians and the treasurer of the Ninth Congressional District Committee. She and her NRL colleagues conduct several outreach activities each year, frequently in conjunction with the Libertarians at Virginia Tech. For example, within the past month, the NRL participated in the annual Independence Day parade in Blacksburg, and sponsored booths at the week-long New River Valley Fair in Dublin and the annual "Steppin' Out" festival in Blacksburg.

I first met Anne in late January 1999, at a meeting of Libertarian activists in the Blacksburg area. She immediately volunteered to assist in the effort to build a local LPVA organization in Montgomery County and the surrounding area. In February 2000 she participated in the first convention of the Ninth Congressional District Committee. She has been heavily involved in both organizations since then.

As with most good officers, Anne leads by example. She is always willing to help with the efforts of the NRL, and she can be

counted upon to do what she says she will do. She enjoys the respect and the affection of her colleagues.



Anne has managed to make a major contribution to the Libertarian Party in the area despite the tremendous demands of her job, first as Associate Sports Information Director and now as Publications Director in the Department of Athletics at Virginia

Tech (her alma mater). She has been a stalwart in the effort to build a strong group in an area where there was no organized activity. We salute her accomplishments, and we look forward to more fine work from the NRL.

On behalf of Virginia Liberty, we offer our thanks and appreciation to Anne for her great work.

For more information about the activities of the New River Libertarians, please visit www.NewRiverLibertarians.org, or call 540-231-3708.

Prohibition

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That half-baked "debate" was preceded by a federal campaign of outrageous lies, racism, and utter claptrap.

So how's that working for us, seventy years later?

"It's hard to think of a more spectacularly bad, long-term policy failure than our government's

70-year war on marijuana users," said Rob Kampa, executive director of the Marijuana Policy Project (MPP) in Washington, D.C. "Since the federal government banned marijuana in 1937, it's gone from being an obscure plant that few Americans had even heard of to the number-one cash crop in the United States."

MPP points out:

* Federal government estimates indicate that marijuana use has increased approximately 4,000 percent since the Marijuana Tax Act took effect.

* A study by researcher Jon Gettman, Ph.D., published in December 2006 and based on government data, found marijuana to be the country's number-one cash crop, exceeding the value of corn and wheat combined.

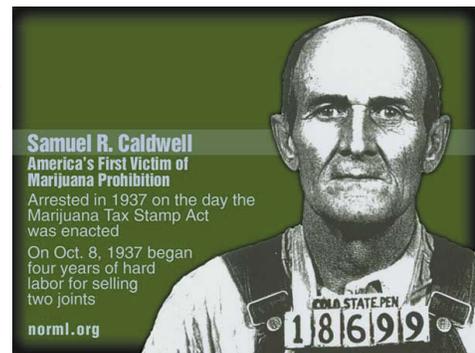
* The federally funded Monitoring the Future survey reports that approximately 85 percent of high school seniors describe marijuana as "easy to get" -- a figure that has remained virtually unchanged since the survey began in 1975.

* In 2005 (the most recent figures available), U.S. law enforcement made an all-time record 786,545 marijuana arrests -- 89 percent for possession, not sale or trafficking.

We could add more. Marijuana prohibition is a giant federal subsidy to criminal gangs. It keeps a proven therapeutic substance out of the hands of untold thousands of desperately sick people who, doctors and researchers agree, could benefit from it. It wastes precious law enforcement and criminal justice resources. All this for an impossible ban of a substance that is safer than alcohol or tobacco.

And finally, in a country allegedly based on individual liberty, the idea that people can't grow, smoke, and sell a common plant, is outrageous.

"Marijuana prohibition is easily the government's biggest long-term failure since its disastrous experiment with alcohol Pro-



hibition from 1919 to 1933, but the marijuana prohibition disaster just lives on," Kampa said. "It's time to steer a new course and regulate marijuana like we do alcohol."

Well said. (Except that we'd like to see alcohol deregulated, too!)

Source:

Marijuana Policy Project.

James W. Harris is the President of the Advocates for Self-Government. This article reprinted from The Liberator Online, with permission from the Advocates for Self-Government, www.TheAdvocates.org.

Liberty Tip

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While it's important to correct misunderstandings and falsehoods about libertarianism (when they come up), it's even more important to start your discussion of libertarianism in a positive way.

Opening with a negative or apologetic statement immediately plants seeds of doubt in the mind of your listeners. Most people believe that, where there's smoke, there's quite possibly a fire.

It also invites attack and argument, since you start by putting yourself on the defensive.

But most importantly, many people -- if not most -- have a very positive overall impression of libertarianism. It's self-defeating to begin by apologizing for some misconception or falsehood they may not even be concerned about.

Once you've given them an honest, positive description of libertarianism they'll be able to clearly see the benefits of liberty. And if they hear negative things about libertarianism, or have concerns, they can ask you -- or, even better, they'll correct the misconceptions themselves!

Arin Sime: Out and About



CLOCKWISE, FROM LEFT: 1) Tax Protest! -- April 17, 2007. The Jefferson Area Libertarians held Tax Day rallies/protests in Charlottesville and Waynesboro on Tuesday, April 17. Members distributed "Million Dollar Bills" to illustrate the Federal government spends over \$1 million every five seconds it is open for business. "The Income Tax is the main fuel for the massive explosion of federal spending," noted JAL Chair John Munchmeyer. "The bulk of this spending is in areas where the federal government should play no role. IRS regulations are almost 10,000 pages in length, and the amount of money and time we taxpayers spend complying with these regulations is staggering."

2) Motorcycle Rally -- June 16, 2007. Sime Campaign participates in a District Motorcycle Tour. Sime is shown being interviewed by Channel 29 NBC News.

3) Keezletown 10k Race -- May 5, 2007 -- John Munchmeyer of the Jefferson Area Libertarians holds up a 10 Miler T-shirt with Sime sponsorship logo. Note the "Libertarian Party of Virginia" sponsorship also!

4) Meeting Voters in Greene County -- April 7, 2007 -- Sime and campaign manager Lindsey Burke door knocking in Greene County.

5) Crozet Parade -- June 30, 2007 -- Sime volunteers gather in front of the parade float.





Sharon Harris

OPINION

Pry Them from Our Cold Dead Fingers

Once upon a time, in a land not so far away...

It's a lively community forum. A nice young woman named Jan Smith from Freeland...

"One of the problems we've dealt with quite successfully is the gun issue," Ms. Smith says.

"However, we noticed that this creates several problems. Many people just don't take proper care of their guns.

"Some of our cleverest leaders solved that. First, we passed a law requiring that everyone care for their guns and store them properly.

"That helped, but of course there were still people who didn't comply.

"The way we ultimately solved the problem was for the government to provide citizens with the service of taking care of

their guns for them.

"We built huge buildings in every community and hired firearm experts to work there. We passed a new law requiring everyone to drop off their guns at the building closest to them every morning...

"Having the guns all day gives our government-trained firearms experts a chance to modify those that don't comply with gun regulations, in addition to making sure they are cleaned and stored safely.

"A great side effect that we didn't anticipate was that it gives more freedom to everyone! No longer do citizens worry about what might happen to their guns if they left them at home during the day...

"They know their guns are safe and well-cared-for. And of course they appreciate not having to do the hard work of taking care of their guns themselves."

Councilman Brown interrupts with a question: "Have you encountered any problems with this system?"

"Not really," Ms. Smith pauses. "Well, some people complain that the government experts don't do a good job. Some say that their guns don't work as well as they used to, or that they prefer to take care of them them-

selves, for whatever reasons.

"No problem. To appease these complainers, we allow them to take their guns to private, licensed companies that provide the same service. Of course, not many people take advantage of these private services, because after all they have to PAY for them, whereas the tax-funded government service is free.

Councilman Jones: "Sounds great! This is something I think we should consider."

I look around at the mostly conservative and libertarian crowd - which, predictably, goes ballistic.

"You've got to be kidding!" says a man on the front row. "You'll never see that here!" says another. "You'll take my guns when you pry them from my cold dead fingers!" shouts a man in the back row...

Whew! It's clear we won't see this sort of thing in my community any time soon.

As I nod in agreement with the crowd, I notice an image out of the corner of my eye - a bright yellow school bus is passing by the window.

And suddenly I realize that just about everyone in the room allows government workers to come every day and take away something - something far more precious than any piece of metal.

That big yellow school bus takes our children to huge government buildings where most of their waking hours are spent. Where

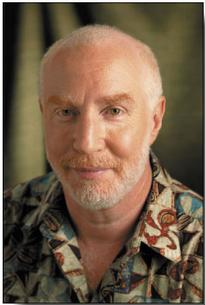
each day begins with an invocation of loyalty to the state. Where their most treasured spiritual values and symbols are banished. Where peer pressure replaces family values. Where the truly important questions of life can't be asked, much less answered.

Libertarians and most conservatives boldly and nobly take a stand for our right to keep and bear arms. Not so we can go duck hunting, but so we can defend ourselves and our families from invasion.

But what if the tyranny we fear comes to pass - grown and nurtured in our very homes?

Until we have equal passion for defending our children from the invasion of their MINDS - unless we take a bold and noble stand for the separation of SCHOOL and state - we will continue to allow our children to be taken from our warm, loving arms

The above article was originally published on LewRockwell.com. Sharon Harris is president of the Advocates for Self-Government, a nonprofit libertarian educational organization established in 1985. www.TheAdvocates.org



Alan Korwin

OPINION

The Uninvited Ombudsman

Guns Are Hot

The lamestream media told you: Nothing, though the dangerous and highly unregulated Internet circulated numerous stories on proposed OSHA regulations that would have a subtle side effect... closing all federally licensed firearms dealers in America.

The Uninvited Ombudsman notes however that: It is hard to imagine a hotter hot button than a brazen attempt to delete the right to keep and bear arms from the people. It is even harder to imagine a bureaucrat or politician who doesn't know that.

With that as a backdrop, OSHA proposed treating ANY workplace that contained even a handful of small-arms cartridges, for any reason, "a facility containing explosives."

Under that designation, no one could carry "firearms, ammunition, or similar articles," with narrow exceptions (like for security guards). You would need demolition certifications for clerks, searches of customers coming in, closures during thunderstorms -- this would have forced any normal gun store, firing range or gunsmith shop to close down.

It came within a hair's breadth of slipping by everyone and passing into law. NSSF,

SAAMI and the NRA-ILA, with an outpouring of support from grassroots activists, have fortunately succeeded in temporarily delaying the proposed OSHA gun ban.

I have reasonable faith that the industry and gun-lobby forces, now alerted, will craft a proper improvement to this OSHA proposal that would have wiped out America's gun stores and ranges. I don't plan to devote much time to that effort, unless it seems to be going astray. Imposing impossible-to-meet and completely irrelevant explosive-demolition regulations on firearms dealers and their staffers was a brilliant and unexpected attack on gun rights.

What I do think we need to examine though is how OSHA got on that track. These things don't happen by accident. Someone was behind this incredibly sneaky, underhanded and enormously novel tactic for banning guns in America. Someone out there feels mighty proud of the attempt, even if it has been stopped, for now, and I have no doubt such minds will concoct future efforts.

Who are the perpetrators? How do we bring them to justice? How do we expose and humiliate their tyrannical effort and dastardly clever approach to civil rights denial? How do we treat the attorneys who wrote it and are going to claim they were just following orders, that they had no idea this would affect gun ownership, and saw nothing amiss in the proposal?

Who among you is willing to do the legwork, file an FOIA request, poke around a little?

You've got to hand it to the anti-rights mob that dreamed this up. A tremendous

sneak attack that almost succeeded -- it was stopped within mere hours of execution. No one saw it coming. It's a whole new fresh approach to banning guns the antis have not used before.

Wouldn't it be nice to sneak through a regulation of our own in some bland dull policy rewrite and say... any elected, appointed or hired individual who attempts to deny a person's rights without full open debate shall be subject to imprisonment? Why would an honest government official object?

Internet Censorship Coming

The lamestream media told you: Nothing in most locations.

The Uninvited Ombudsman notes however that: Indiscriminate and rapid increases in coal burning by communist red Chinese have emerged as a driving force behind global carbon levels in the atmosphere. The dictatorship's loosened grip on its economy has led to a mad rush of growth formerly unknown in the totalitarian regime.

The communists' furnaces, which do not use scrubbers and are believed to be highly inefficient, rely on their vast supplies of CO2 producing coal, lack of environmental regulations, and easy executions of protesters.

The highly controversial Kyoto Accord, which the United States refused to sign because it proposed devastating impacts on our economy, had conveniently omitted the communists from most requirements. European nations and others who did sign the accords have uniformly failed to meet the goals, but

it doesn't matter, because there are no penalties, no sanctions, and not even followup reports by the "news" media.

In other news, Hollywood has taken up the carbon emissions banner and is "buying carbon offsets" to demonstrate how green their films are. The upcoming \$170 million comedy about Noah's Ark "erased" its carbon "footprint" by spending ten grand on trees, according to PBS. How many trees, where, how much CO2 they absorb in what time frame and whether such a small number of plants can "erase" \$170 million in activity for a gigantic crew working for a year is unknown. PBS asked no questions to qualify the proud pronouncement of the film's producer, but the interviewer gushed at how wonderful all this was.

In still other news, communist China surpassed the U.S. in 2006 as the world's leading producer of CO2 gas, by far. Al Gore could not be reached in his 26,000-square-foot home for comment.

In The Uninvited Ombudsman, Alan Korwin takes the mainstream media to task for their errors, hyperbole, and big-government bias.

A freelance writer, Korwin is also a founder and past president of the Arizona Book Publishing Association. With his wife Cheryl he operates Bloomfield Press, the largest producer and distributor of gun-law books in the country. Here writing as "The Uninvited Ombudsman," Alan covers the day's stories as they ought to read. Read more at:

http://pagenine.typepad.com/page_nine/

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viewpoint and to recruit new Libertarians to the party. The lack of a Democrat in the race combined with the incumbent's "Big Government" voting record and connection to the Regional Transportation Authority, disapproved of by 71% of the public in a recent poll, has created a real opportunity for a Libertarian victory. Tabor and his supporters have thus started the beginnings of a drive to elect the first Libertarian to a major state level office.

In this Libertarian versus Republican race, support from Libertarians outside the 14th District is needed to help take advantage of this extraordinary opportunity. Tabor and his campaign call upon your support. Whether you can assist financially, participate as a member of his election team, or have a connection to share; please contact the campaign via the website <http://taborvasenate.com> for Email and online donation.

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to affirm his right to operate a clay-target shooting range at Orapax, but he was turned down. The decision has been appealed to the Board of Zoning Appeals, which set a September hearing date. After the hearing was scheduled, the Board of Supervisors decided to amend the ordinance to reinstate the permit requirement for shooting ranges on agricultural property -- even though it was under litigation.

"It's terribly unethical -- not illegal, but unethical -- to be changing laws that are in litigation," Dykers said.

If Dykers prevails on appeal, any change in the ordinance would not apply to his case. If he doesn't win his appeal and supervisors reinstate the permit requirement, he would have to apply for one to run the shooting range.

But he, he knows that no such permit will ever be issued.

Fortunately, Dykers isn't alone in his scrap with local officials. Among those helping him are members of LPVA and the Virginia Citizens' Defense League, or VCDL.

Dykers, is a former investment consultant who has owned his property since 1980. He and his wife, Nancy, have lived there since 1987.

Dykers spoke to this reporter about his LP affiliation.

"I started reading about the LP in various publications. It appeals to me very much. I didn't make a lot of meetings, but did make a few. I was an enthusiastic Browne supporter. The basic ideas of the Libertarian Party appeal to me a great deal," Dykers said.

July 14th SCC Meeting

Summarized by Marc Montoni

The State Central Committee is the policy making body of the LPVA.

The most recent regular meeting of the State Central Committee (SCC) was held on Saturday, July 14, 2007, at the North Park Branch Library, Henrico County, VA. The meeting was called to order by Secretary Marc Montoni at 1:05 PM.

Neither the Chair, Vice Chair, nor Treasurer attended.

Under LPVA rules, Libertarian Party Congressional District Committee Chairs are entitled to a voting seat at SCC meetings; or they can delegate the SCC duty to any other LPVA member. District chairs in attendance included: Kathy Mullin (CD1); Mary Buzuma (CD2 chair); Bob Lynch (CD3); Don Tabor (CD4); Jonathan McGlumphy (representing 6th CD chair Liz Bowles); George Marchenko (CD7); Steve Dasbach (CD8); Jim Lark (CD9); and Bill Wood (CD10).

Unrepresented district committees (e.g., neither the chair nor his delegate attended) included John Munchmeyer (CD5); and Scott Wakeman (CD 11).

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

- **Approved** the Proposed Agenda with minor changes, and the Draft Minutes from the January SCC meeting; both PASSED without objection. [Editor's Note: *Official Minutes are available by download from the LPVA web site or by requesting a printout from the Secretary.*]

- **Approved** a motion to accept the petition of the Libertarian Party of Fauquier County, pursuant to verification that signatories of the petition satisfy the membership requirements in the bylaws. Item PASSED without objection.

- **Reviewed** the 10th CD chairman's efforts to help build a Prince William County committee.

- **Approved** a Resolution of the SCC making a statement on House Bill 3202, to wit: *"Whereas, HB 3202 will impose fines of thousands of dollars on Virginia motorists solely to generate more revenue for state*

government, and, Whereas HB 3202 authorizes unaccountable regional governing bodies to impose taxes without a vote of the people, Therefore all changes to Virginia Law embodied in HB 3202 should be repealed and previous law should be reenacted.

Item PASSED without objection.

- **Adopted** September 29th 2007 as the date for the next SCC meeting. Henrico Public Library had a consensus as the location. PASSED on a voice vote.

- **Adjourned** at 2:00 p.m.

LPVA FINANCIAL CONDITION

The Treasurer reported that as of June, 2007, the LPVA's checking account held a balance of \$41,643.79. This amount included balances in several funds, as follows:

Ballot Access Committee	9,997.61
Business Services	144.49
Chair Discretionary	500.00
Communications	2,366.05
Financial Development	475.68
General Fund	10,991.69
Local Affiliates	7,783.77
Memb. Development	7,289.40
LNC	50.00
Political Development	598.89
Special Operations	1,506.30
State Convention	56.00
Targeted Contr - Holding	50.00
Virginia Liberty	1,340.91

The Treasurer also reported the following Revenue and Expenses for January through June, 2007:

Revenue	
Contributions For Party	200.00
Interest Income	275.79
LNC Membership	700.00
LPVA Membership Dues	1,400.00
Mailing List Sales	39.70
Pledge Program	165.00
Targeted Contributions	815.00
Total Income	3,595.49

Expenses	
Credit Card Processing Fee	226.50
Income Taxes	133.60
Internet Expense	149.94
Local Affiliate Activity	1,030.50
Office Supplies	14.69
Other Expense	107.00
Payments To LNC	1,325.00
Postage	183.44
Printing And Copying	815.01
Telephone	66.58
Virginia Liberty	881.29
Total Expense	4,933.55

Net Income -1,338.06

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

"If you want government to intervene domestically, you're a liberal. If you want government to intervene overseas, you're a conservative. If you want government to intervene everywhere, you're a moderate. If you don't want government to intervene anywhere, you're an extremist." - Joseph Sobran (1995)

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Pty	Candidate	Receipts	Disb	Cash
Henrico County Board of Supervisors, Tuckahoe District				
(L)	Marchenko, Geo.	\$1,906	\$1,316	\$590
(R)	O'Bannon, Pat	\$26,423	\$6,859	\$19,564
Henrico County Board of Supervisors, Brookland District				
(L)	Martin, Matt	\$2,759	\$911	\$1,848
(R)	Glover, Dick	\$24,308	\$16,843	\$7,464
Virginia Senate				
(L)	Sime, Arin	\$31,626	\$21,950	\$9,676
(D)	Cox, David	\$4,632	\$4,613	\$19
(R)	Hanger, E	\$343,494	\$259,620	\$83,874
(L)	Tabor, Don	\$1,681	\$531	\$1,150
(R)	Harry Blevins	\$80,937	\$43,765	\$37,172

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Libertarian groups around the state

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Richmond & Vicinity

CHARLES CITY COUNTY: Charles City County Libertarians. Donny Smith, <CharlesCityCo@LPVA.com>.

METRO RICHMOND: Weekly Social Hour, every Friday. Location varies; please consult RichmondLiberty.org for this week's location. 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Sponsor: Richmond Metro Libertarians. <RichmondMetro@LPVA.com>.

HENRICO COUNTY: Meeting dates and times vary. For more information, contact Henrico LP chairman Leonard Harris, <Henrico@LPVA.com>, or 804-266-6572.

RICHMOND: City of Richmond LP. Meeting time & location varies. Jon Walker, <RichmondLP@LPVA.com>, or 804-915-7175.

Roanoke Area

BOTETOURT COUNTY: Botetourt County Libertarians. Monthly meetings, 3rd Mondays, Sept through May (no summer meetings), 6:00 p.m. Meeting location varies; call or write for details. Jeff Bowles, <Botetourt@LPVA.com>, or 540-473-2030.

CRAIG COUNTY: Libertarian Party of Craig County. Doug Lucas, <CraigCounty@LPVA.com>.

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

MARTINSVILLE: Martinsville Libertarians. Re-forming. <Martinsville@LPVA.com>.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY: New River Libertarians. For residents of Montgomery, Giles, Pulaski, and Floyd counties. Monthly meetings are usually every first Tuesday, Bogen's Restaurant, 622 North Main St, Blacksburg at 7:00 PM (social hour starts at 6:00). Please contact Jonathan McGlumphy, <NewRiver@LPVA.com>, or 540-231-3708. Also see the NRL web site at: www.NewRiverLibertarians.org

ROANOKE COUNTY: Roanoke Valley Libertarian Party. For members residing in Roanoke, Salem, and Roanoke County. Monthly meeting, 1st Mondays. 6:30 p.m., Roanoke County Public Library, Hollins branch, 6624 Peters Creek Rd. Directions: 540-561-8024. Scott Shreckhise <JscottShr@aol.com>, or 540-767-1776.

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

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

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Tidewater Area

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

GLOUCESTER & MATHEWS COUNTIES: Local LP Now forming. Kevin Arden, 804-693-4004 or <Gloucester@LPVA.com>.

NORFOLK: Tidewater Libertarian Party. 2nd Monthly meeting, every third Saturday, 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, 9 a.m. for the meeting. The Atlanta Bread Company, 675 Phoenix Dr., Virginia Beach. See the TLP web site TidewaterLP.com. Tom Cantrell, <Tidewater@LPVA.com>, or 757-460-4017.

SUFFOLK: City Of Suffolk Libertarians. Ken Taylor, <Suffolk@LPVA.com>, or 757-923-1285.

VIRGINIA BEACH: Tidewater Libertarian Party. 1st Monthly meeting -- every first Saturday, 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, 9 a.m. for the meeting, in the private dining room of the Atlanta Bread Company (corner of Phoenix Drive and Saber Street) in Virginia Beach. See the TLP web site TidewaterLP.com. Call Tom Cantrell, 757-460-4017, or write: <Tidewater@LPVA.com>.

COLLEGE: W&M Libertarians: <WilliamAndMary@LPVA.com>

Shenandoah Valley

HARRISONBURG: Harrisonburg/Rockingham LP. Reorganizing. To help, call Joe Rudmin, 540-433-0197 (h) or 540-568-2784 (w), or write <HRLP@LPVA.com>.

PAGE COUNTY: Page County Libertarians. Dave Switzer <Page@LPVA.com>, or 540-843-2057.

SHENANDOAH COUNTY: Shenandoah County LP. Meeting time & location varies; call or write for information. Nancy Young, 540-477-2520, or write: <ShenandoahCounty@LPVA.com>.

WINCHESTER: Winchester Libertarians. For residents of Winchester, Clarke/Warren/Frederick Counties. Monthly meetings normally held on the third Tuesday of each month. For precise location of each month's meeting, or for other information, call or write Bill Wood, 540-

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Charlottesville Area

CHARLOTTESVILLE: Jefferson Area Libertarians. For residents of the cities of Charlottesville, Waynesboro, Staunton, and the counties of Albemarle, Augusta, Fluvanna, Greene, and Nelson. Quarterly business meetings and special meetings: time and location by announcement. Monthly "Happy Hour": at Mellow Mushroom restaurant (1309 W. Main St.), second Thursday of each month, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please call Arin Sime (434-996-5226) or Jim Lark (434-973-5958), or write <JAL@LPVA.com>.

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

ORANGE COUNTY: Orange County Libertarians. Don Ober, 540-672-2793

COLLEGE: UVA University Libertarians. ALSO: UVA Students for Individual Liberty. Contact the Liberty Coalition, <Liberty@Virginia.edu>, or 434-982-5016 (voicemail).

Northern Virginia

ARLINGTON COUNTY: "NOVA Libertarian Social Hour", every Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., The Sports Pub, 529 23rd Street South, Arlington. Call Marianne Volpe, 703-960-2973, or write <mvolve@starpower.net>.

FAIRFAX COUNTY: LP of Northern Virginia. Monthly meeting, 3rd Mondays, 6:45 p.m., location varies. Also sponsors monthly Potluck parties, always on the Saturday before the regular meeting. Steve Damerell, 703-851-4674, or <LPNOVA@LPVA.com>.

LOUDOUN COUNTY: LP of Loudoun County. Monthly meeting 4th Tuesdays. Location TBA. Contact David Englert at <dmenglert@gmail.com>.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY: LP of Prince William County. Contact Kathy Mullin, 703-221-9875, or <PrinceWilliam@LPVA.com>.

COLLEGE: GMU College Libertarians: Meeting time & location varies; call Chuck Eby, 703-855-8767 for informa-

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Peninsula

ESSEX COUNTY: Northern Neck Libertarians. <NorthernNeck@LPVA.com>.

FREDERICKSBURG: Fredericksburg Area Libertarians. JR Stevenson, 540-775-7722, or <Fredericksburg@LPVA.com>.

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BUCHANAN COUNTY: Buchanan County LP. William Little: <BuchananCounty@LPVA.com> or 276-963-4091.

LEE COUNTY: Lee County LP -- email <LeeCounty@LPVA.com>.

COLLEGE: ASL. Libertarian Society at Appalachian School of Law. William Little <WLittle@ASL.edu> or 276-963-4091.

Lynchburg and Vicinity

BEDFORD COUNTY: LP of Bedford County. Rebekah Hoskins, 434-609-0729 or <BedfordCounty@LPVA.com>.

LYNCHBURG: Lynchburg Libertarians. For residents of Lynchburg and surrounding counties. Monthly meetings, 2nd Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Asian Grill Super Buffet, 6015 Fort Ave., Suite 25 (Fort Hill Village), Lynchburg. Dave Overstreet, 540-587-7597 or <Lynchburg@LPVA.com>

Southside Virginia

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

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Governments throughout history have regularly operated on the opposite principle, that the State has the right to dispose of the lives of individuals and the fruits of their labor.

Even within the United States, all political parties other than our own grant to government the right to regulate the lives of individuals and seize the fruits of their labor without their consent.

We, on the contrary, deny the right of any government to do these things, and hold that where governments exist, they must not violate the rights of any individual: namely, (1) the right to life -- accordingly we support the prohibition of the initiation of physical

force against others; (2) the right to liberty of speech and action -- accordingly we oppose all attempts by government to abridge the freedom of speech and press, as well as government censorship in any form; and (3) the right to property -- accordingly we oppose all government interference with private property, such as confiscation, nationalization, and eminent domain, and support the prohibition of robbery, trespass, fraud, and misrepresentation.

Since governments, when instituted, must not violate individual rights, we oppose all interference by government in the areas of voluntary and contractual relations among individuals.

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