

# SOUTH CAROLINA LIBERTARIAN



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA LIBERTARIAN PARTY

## STATE CONVENTION PLANS FINALIZED

Plans have been finalized for the South Carolina Libertarian Party State Convention to be held in Columbia on June 11. The Convention will be held in the House Room at the Capital Inn, 1901 Assembly Street, and will begin at 9:30 A.M. (registration at 9:00 A.M.).

The morning session will be a business meeting for S.C.L.P. members. One of the major items on the agenda will be the consideration of a proposed revision of the state Platform. The Platform Committee has put a lot of work into this proposal, and it will likely generate some discussion. S.C.L.P. members who indicate their plans to attend will receive a copy of the proposal before the Convention. Another item on the agenda may be some proposals for party by-laws, in which case the 1982 Convention will be re-convened, and 1982 delegates will vote on the proposals.

After a lunch break (lunch not provided), the afternoon session will begin at 1:15 P.M., and will consist of three events. Mr. Fred Muller, a business consultant from Columbia, will start things off by giving a speech entitled "American Socialism vs. Russian Communism." Mr. Muller, a long-time advocate of laissez-faire capitalism, has been an observer of the disastrous effects of inflation both in this country and abroad, and he has written a book entitled America's Coming Nightmare Inflation, Economic Collapse, and Crime Revolution.

After Mr. Muller's speech will be a video tape presentation of a recent speech by Libertarian Party presidential candidate Gene Burns. Burns, a radio talk show host from Orlando, Florida, is the only person who has formally announced his intention to seek the Libertarian Party nomination for the 1984 presidential race. There has been some mention of Texas Republican Congressman Ron Paul and Sam Steiger of Arizona, but nothing definite has materialized in these areas.

Following a break, S.C.L.P. member William Pike of Pauline will speak about campaign strategy for 1984. Mr. Pike has a lot of experience in campaign management, and he managed several campaigns for Democratic candidates before getting fed up with the Democratic Party because of its lack of commitment to the principle of Liberty. At the April meeting of the S.C.L.P., Pike urged all persons who are thinking about running in 1984 to get started this summer (see page 3), and on June 11 he will give some pointers on how to organize a campaign.

After the Convention adjourns, there will be an informal gathering with light refreshments at the residence of David and Jan Morris.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the Convention. Non-members may wish to skip the morning business meeting, although the meeting is open to everyone. As mentioned, the afternoon session, which should be interesting, will begin around 1:15.

Unfortunately, THERE AIN'T NO SUCH THING AS A FREE LUNCH, nor, I must add, a free 1983 Convention, for we must cover the cost of the room. The basic fee will be \$8.00 (\$6.00 for current members) with a \$2.00 discount for persons who send in their registration fee before June 1 (see page 3 for registration form).

### Statement of Principles

We, the members of the Libertarian Party, challenge the cult of the omnipotent state and defend the rights of the individual.

We hold that all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner they choose.

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 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. People should not be forced to sacrifice their lives and property for the benefit of others. They should be left free by government to deal with one another as free traders, and the resultant economic system, the only one compatible with the protection of individual rights, is the free market.

## 1983 TAX PROTEST DAY

## GAINS PUBLICITY

Tax Protest Day 1983 was the most successful ever. S.C.L.P. members handed out leaflets at post offices throughout the state and received television coverage in Spartanburg, Florence, Columbia, and Charleston. In addition, several newspapers mentioned the event. Many persons have expressed interest in the Libertarian Party as a result of the tax protest. Even if only one or two of these persons ever ends up becoming an active S.C.L.P. member, the protest will have been worth the effort, for Libertarians are hard to come by these days!

## JULY 4th CELEBRATION PLANNED

Plans are being finalized for the South Carolina Libertarian Party July 4th Celebration. This is the first year for this event, which will become an annual event. Jan Morris is in charge of planning this event, which will be an informal picnic. Morris, whose special interest is the history of the United States around the time of the Revolution, will give a rousing speech, which will be both patriotic and libertarian in tone.

S.C.L.P. member Dick Winchell will host the event at his house on Lake Murray. After the speech by Jan Morris at 12:30 P.M., the picnic will begin. Mr. Winchell will provide ice, lemonade, tea, plates, and a small grill. Persons who attend must bring their own food. Bathing suits will be welcome. Children are also invited. Maps will be available at the Convention. Persons who are unable to attend the Convention should contact Jan Morris (796-3161) before June 29 in order to receive a map.

"I'd rather lose in a cause that will someday win than win in a cause that will someday lose."

Woodrow Wilson

## LAISSEZ FAIRE

- THE STATE AGAINST BLACKS by Walter E. Williams. A distinguished black economist evaluates minimum wage laws, licensing, union policy, trucking and other regulations as examples of systematic impeding of the advancement of minorities. Sees the government as a major perpetrator of racial exclusion. Views the free market as the destroyer of racial barriers and privilege. (hd, 160p) \$14.95
- FREEDOM FOR ALASKANS by Richard L. (Dick) Randolph. The 1982 Libertarian gubernatorial candidate gives his blueprint for rolling back the State in Alaska. Randolph, the first Libertarian State Legislator in the country, was responsible for repealing his state's income tax. (pb, 108p) \$ 3.95
- SOCIAL SECURITY: AVERTING THE CRISIS by Peter Ferrara. Shows that social security has been established and maintained by deceit. Includes a detailed presentation on how to get out of the system. (qpb, 160p) \$ 6.95
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## LIBERTARIAN PARTY GAINS

## NEW PROSPECT

On April 6, 1983, a baby girl was born. Daphne Elizabeth Muller is the daughter of Lee and Debbie Muller of Timmonsville. The Mullers are long-time S.C.L.P. members, Lee having served as party Treasurer and Chairman, and Debbie having served as Treasurer. Reliable reports indicate that Daphne Elizabeth is most certainly a Libertarian. In the words of one unidentified S.C.L.P. member, "She'd better be!" Skeptics are urged to remember that we are all born free!

## CALL FOR CANDIDATES

We need candidates for 1984. We need candidates to start preparing by June of this year. The Democratic and Republican hopefuls are already at work.

It is urgent that Libertarians start winning in South Carolina, and we have a plan to do just that. All we need is men and women who believe in Liberty strongly enough to join with us in the boldest effort ever by the South Carolina Libertarian Party. Please respond today!

I will commit now \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in running for \_\_\_\_\_

I will help a candidate in my area \_\_\_\_\_

I will help recruit candidates and campaign workers \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information \_\_\_\_\_

I live in U. S. Congressional District \_\_\_\_\_

I live in State Senate District \_\_\_\_\_

I live in State House District \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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Send to:

South Carolina Libertarian Party  
P. O. Box 50643  
Columbia, S.C. 29250

(or use enclosed envelope)

## STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

<u>Registration fee:</u>	<u>Current Members</u>	<u>Nonmembers</u>
<i>Before June 1</i>	\$4.00	\$6.00
<i>After June 1</i>	\$6.00	\$8.00



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Send to:

South Carolina Libertarian  
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Office of the Treasurer  
P. O. Box 297  
Cayce, S.C. 29033

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 16, West Columbia - S.C.L.P.  
District 2 meeting,  
7:30 P.M. at Quincy's  
on the Charleston  
Highway. All inter-  
ested persons welcome.

June 11, Columbia - State Con-  
vention, Capital Inn,  
Assembly St. (see  
page 1). All interest-  
ed persons welcome (see  
registration form on  
page 3).

July 4, Lake Murray - S.C.L.P.  
July 4th Celebration  
(see page 2).

August 29-September 5, New York -  
Libertarian Party  
National Convention

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

The South Carolina Libertarian Party was certified as an official political party by the South Carolina State Election Commission in January, 1979. South Carolina law requires that all members of any political party in South Carolina hold valid voter registration certificates.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

I am registered to vote in \_\_\_\_\_ County, S.C.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

DUES, SOUTH CAROLINA LIBERTARIAN PARTY \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Patron \$100, Sustaining Member \$50,  
Regular(single) \$20, Joint \$30, Student \$5

DUES, National Libertarian Party \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Regular \$10, Student \$5

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