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Paul, 3 local Libs make ballot

Following the Aug. 2 deadline for minority party candidates to turn in their petitions for access to the Colorado general ballot, it seems certain that the names of five Libertarians — including presidential candidate Ron Paul and vice presidential candidate Andre Marrou — will appear on 1988 ballots in Colorado.

Colorado Libertarian Party Chairman Mary Lind turned in 8,892 Paul/Marrou signatures to Secretary of State Natalie Meyer on Aug. 2, and no challenge to the validity of the signatures had arisen by the Aug. 15 deadline for such a challenge. Paul is expected to have ballot access in at least 47, if not all 50 states.

The CLP finds itself without a Congressional candidate, due to the suspicious theft of petitions bearing 600 signatures from the

car of 6th Congressional District candidate Jim Phelps' daughter, and the inability of 1st Congressional District candidate Robin Heid's campaign to generate the required number of signatures.

CLP Finance Director David Aitken was successful in his bid to get on the ballot as a candidate for the Colorado General Assembly in State Representative District 6, the Capitol Hill area of Denver.

RTD board candidate Geoffrey Lloyd turned in the required number of signatures to gain ballot access in that non-partisan election, but a reported challenge of the validity of those signatures remained unresolved at the time of this printing.

The only Western Slope LP candidate is Robert C. Martin, who got on the ballot as a Mesa County commissioner candidate.

Calendar:

September 17

Rescheduled board meeting to be held in Delta County at 4:30 p.m. at the Gunnison River Pleasure Park (see map inside). Coincides with VP candidate Andre Marrou's appearance at a noon luncheon and candidates' rally in Delta Co., same place, same day. Marrou will also speak in Grand Junction that evening at a fund-raising dinner for Mesa Co. commissioner candidate Robert C. Martin (time, place to be announced).

September 18-19

VP candidate Marrou will visit Ft. Collins (call Mary Margaret Glennie at 484-8184 for details).

September 21

Rescheduled Denver cocktail party chez Victoria Mason, 1270 Logan #8 (carriage house behind main building) will host Marrou at 7:30 p.m. For directions, call Victoria at 831-1620. It's potluck, so bring a dish.

Marrou visiting Western Slope, Ft. Collins and Denver in Sept.

Libertarian vice presidential nominee Andre Marrou will make a statewide tour of Colorado during mid-September, with stops planned in Fort Collins, Denver, Grand Junction, Delta and Montrose.

Marrou will arrive at Stapleton airport on Friday, Sept. 16 and fly the next morning to Montrose, where a press conference with local television and radio stations and newspapers has been scheduled.

After a cavalcade through Delta, Marrou will be the keynote speaker at a multi-partisan candidates' rally scheduled for noon on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Gunnison River

Pleasure Park in Delta County, to be followed by the CLP board meeting.

Marrou will then address a fund-raising dinner for Libertarian Mesa County commissioner candidate Robert C. Martin in Grand Junction that evening.

On Sunday, Sept. 18 and Monday, Sept. 19, Marrou will be appearing in Fort Collins. Mary Margaret Glennie is scheduling his appearances there, and can be reached at 484-8184 for more details.

Denver Libertarians will see Marrou on Sept. 20-21, and that month's Cocktail Party will be held Wednesday, Sept. 21 to host him.

From the Chair

By Mary Lind,
CLP Chairman

Greetings!

Great things are happening in Colorado! By the time you read this, Ron Paul will have already wowed a rally at Washington Park. PLEASE be sure to send us back your contribution envelope with some Funny Reserve Notes trapped inside to help us pay for that rally. No handout's too big or small.

Make a point to attend as many of Andre Marrou's events as you can during his Sept. 17-21 visit. It'll be a stimulating weekend!

I heaved a sigh of relief when I opened a letter today from the Secretary of State's office stating that our Ron Paul petition "appeared sufficient." Golly, nice of her to drop a line, eh? Won't it be amusing someday when the Libertarians are the majority party and we can send the Demopublicans little notes from the capitol? Of course, we'll save money by writing them on the backsides of all those laws that we've done away with.

Your state board will be working on outreach programs very actively now. Part of this is moving the monthly board meetings to various locations around the state when we can. A more important part, though, is to reach "invisible" Libertarians. These are people who are: 1) libertarians, but don't know about the state party; 2) folks highly dissatisfied with the two fat parties and needing a change, and 3) Libertarians in the making (i.e., free-thinking students and youths). There are a LOT of these people out there!

As a party, we have a lot of catching up to do to contact these people, and the time is ripe. Help us out by contacting and getting LP literature to local schools, colleges, and civic and religious organizations. Contact teachers and group leaders and offer to get them a Libertarian speaker. Give them the CLP office number, and we'll be happy to get a speaker to them. Many schools are hosting special election year forums to get students interested in the vote, and teachers are surprisingly willing to include the Libertarian alternative.

I'll see you all at Andre Marrou's activities this month. Keep up the good work.

Yours in Liberty,

Mary Lind

Letter to the CLiPboard

(Editor's Note: The following letter was submitted for publication by Penn Pfiffner, who wrote to 1984 Libertarian vice presidential nominee Jim Lewis, the author of "Liberty Reclaimed" who is now in federal prison for willful failure to pay federal income taxes, and received this reply).

Dear Penn:

Thanks for taking time to write. The letters I've received, especially from people I stayed with in '84, have brought back many pleasant memories.

There is nothing about the prison experience that has been a surprise and since I knew when I started down this road in 1981 that this was a possibility, I did a good job, preparing for it.

The charge was "willful failure to file tax return." My task was to convince the jury that I believed in what I have researched and that my action or inaction was not knowing and willful. I represented myself, using their trial transcripts as a guide.

The trial was an experience I will never forget. I was able to tell my story and present considerable evidence, though the jury was not permitted to have the material in the deliberation room. The jury was out only two hours and I knew the second the door opened and they filed into the courtroom that I was a goner. I recognized the difficulty of my task, when I placed a copy of the Constitution in front of each juror and had to explain the tax clause — direct, indirect apportionment, etc.

Allenwood is a minimum security facility; no walls, cells or watch towers. The layout, the camp would remind you of a small college campus. The dorms are crowded because the camp was built to accommodate about 500 and there are 800-900 here.

The issue in the trial as it was leading up to the trial was: "Where is the Constitutional authority for Congress to impose a personal income tax on individuals, receiving no privilege from the government?" To understand the question, one must be acquainted with the provisions in the Constitution regarding taxation. What was a direct tax, what were indirect taxes? The best answer was in one of Hamilton's essays in the Federalist Papers.

Most people believe that the Sixteenth Amendment gave Congress a new taxing power — the Supreme Court said otherwise.

My feeling in retrospect is that the jury felt intimidated — probably believing that the IRS would be after them if they brought in an acquittal.

Penn, no one has suggested a Ron Paul visit. He would have to have a special visitor's form from me if he was interested.

There is much more to the income tax question than I could give you in this letter. The question, of course, to this date, is unanswered.

I believe the best strategy for the Libertarian Party would be to work for the Liberty Amendment, which would abolish the income tax. Ron Paul is familiar with this amendment and it was written into our first LP platform.

Thanks again for taking the time to write — it was great hearing from you.

For Liberty Reclaimed,
Jim Lewis,

Dear Friend:

Know what I've been doing for you this summer?

Busting my behind to protect your freedom from those clowns in the State Legislature, that's what.

Let me tell you, it's hard work. Simple, yes. But there's a lot of time and effort involved.

By now you know that I'm running my second campaign for State Representative from Denver's Capitol Hill area. I'm doing most of the work myself, putting in about 8 to 10 hours per week. But I've also had some excellent help from dedicated folks like yourself; people who are committed to seeing freedom restored to this great nation of ours.

What are my chances of winning? Slim, for sure. But we won't know until we try, and I'm doing my best. Last time I pulled 3.2 percent in a 3-way race. This time I'm committed to breaking the 10 percent barrier in a similar contest. Ten percent, especially if it's more than the difference between the other two candidates, will make people sit up and take notice.

But it can't happen without your help. Please help me reach 4000 voters we didn't get to last time with your generous investment of \$25, \$50, or \$100 in our effort to return freedom to our nation. Please make it payable to Citizens for David Aitken, and send it to the Colorado Libertarian Party, 720 E. 18Th Ave., #309, Denver, Co 80203.

Please do it today, so we'll have time to make a difference.

Thank You for caring,



* ----- Like to Stay in Touch? - Here's How! ----- *

If this is the first issue of the CLiPboard you've received since contacting us, and would like to receive it on a regular basis, please fill out the coupon elsewhere in this issue.

* ----- You've Got 60 Days to Make a Difference! ----- *

That's right! There's only 60 days left, give or take a few, before the election, and we need your expert help! Please choose one of the 4 tasks below and DO it!

1. Donate the last two digits of your phone number in dollars to one of the three campaigns listed below. Or just pick any number. Your Colorado choices are Ron Paul for President, Andre Marrou for Vice-President, or David Aitken for State Representative. If you haven't made a donation to one of these campaigns yet, please send your donation to the CLP office, 720 E. 18Th Ave., #309, Denver, Co 80203.
2. Andre Marrou is coming to Colorado September 17th to 21st. We need volunteers to answer the office phone during that time. Please schedule yourself for a 2 or 4 hour shift by calling David Aitken (831-4334).
3. Help with Ron Paul's next visit to Colorado. Call Jon Baraga (722-1626) for details.
4. Do you live in David Aitken's State House District 6? (In Denver - Broadway to Quebec, 8th Ave to Colfax - Capitol Hill and East Denver) Could you put up a yard sign supporting his campaign? Could you spare a couple of hours to help walk the neighborhood or prepare literature? Please call him - 831-4334.

Sept 17th
Big Welcome at Montrose Airport
Please Come!

* ----- RON PAUL RALLIES DENVER!! ----- *

By Mary Lind

Despite a rainy afternoon, LP Presidential candidate Ron Paul rallied almost 150 people into a freedom fervor Sunday, August 21 at the Washington Park boathouse in Denver.

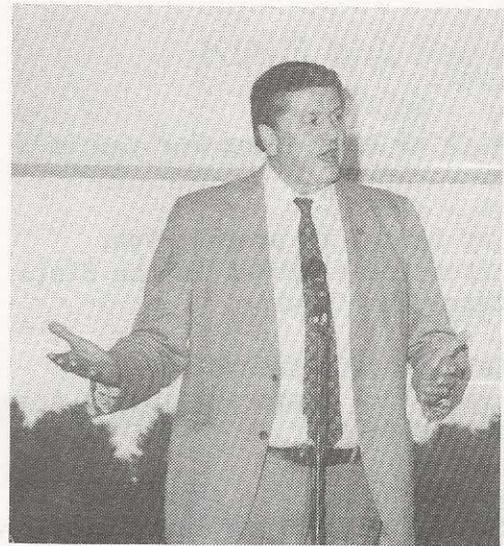
And despite the legal constraint of not being allowed to do any fundraising at the public park, total receipts were \$1589! It was by far the best CLP fundraiser of the year to date, and without actually asking for funds!

Dr. Paul arrived in Denver Sunday morning, speaking to a crowd of over 300 people at the Global Science Congress. "We were deluged after the talk with requests for more information about the campaign and the Party", said Paul. He spent the afternoon interviewing with the Denver Post, the Rocky Mountain News, and with former LP State Chairman Dwight Filley, who was there on behalf of the new Colorado Statesman.

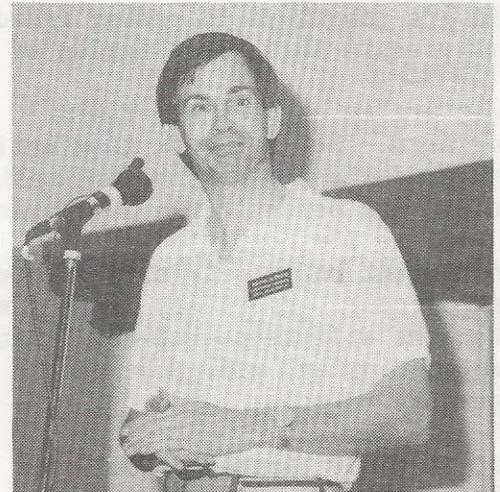
Former Idaho Congressman George Hansen kicked off the evening, warming up the crowd and lashing out at big government and the IRS. David Aitken, our own Libertarian candidate for State House District 6, preceded Ron Paul, speaking eloquently on Libertarian principles and his hopes for this election year.

By the time Ron Paul reached the microphone, the crowd was primed. In a rousing and animated speech, Dr. Paul covered everything from environmental issues and abortion to the Fed and the drug war. "It's ludicrous," said Paul, "to spend billions of dollars protecting our borders to stop drugs, and have laws that restrict the sales of hypodermic needles, and at the same time use tax dollars to buy sterile needles to hand out free to drug users so they can practice their habit and not get AIDS." The crowd frequently interrupted Paul's speech with their applause and cheers.

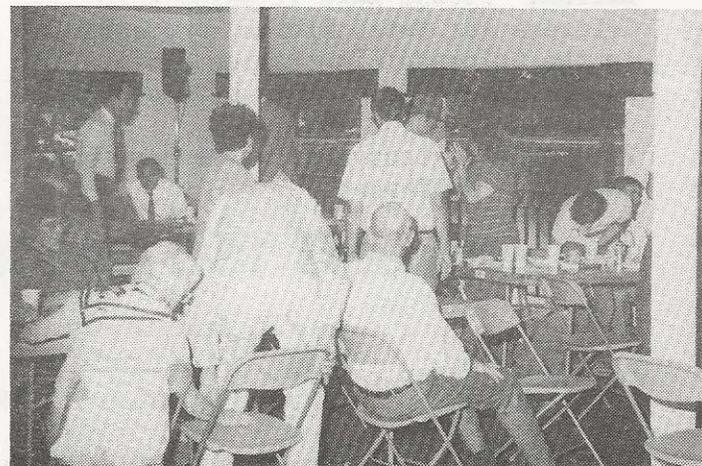
The rally was a great success, and both Ron and CLP members left that evening with smiles their faces. And the best news of all was in Ron's parting words: "I'm coming back!!"



George Hansen



Dave Aitken



Delta Co. Ron Boim 323-6823
Monte Co. Steve Thurnan 243-1008
Ft. Collins Mary Margaret 484-8184



Ron Paul



* ----- Teamwork Works!! ----- *

By Jon Baraga

If there was a single message that came across during the Libertarian Ron Paul for President Rally, it was that teamwork is the essential ingredient to implementing society's transition to freedom.

The Ron Paul Rally was a rousing success in all ways (Local TV stations excepted). Approximately 150 freedom-minded folks joined us on Sunday, August 21st. Disregarding unfavorable climate, they cheered and applauded Ron Paul; they cheered and applauded George Hansen (the former congressman from Idaho); they ate copious amounts of excellent food; and they gave generously.

Considering that we only had 19 days lead time, we were extremely successful. I emphasize we, because it was teamwork and enthusiasm that made it happen. Those responsible are noted elsewhere.

Outreach is the singularly most important facet in guaranteeing our ultimate success. The 1988 presidential campaign is our greatest outreach tool. VP candidate Andre Marrou will be in Colorado September 17th through the 21st. Ron Paul will be back. Teamwork and enthusiasm are the essential ingredients. So now more than ever, join the team. We're getting stronger and tougher every day. WE have the winning combination. Our goals are in sight. We're picking up steam. We're having fun. Won't you join us? Volunteer. Send money. Donate skills. Bring us new blood. There are thousands of freedom-minded individuals in Colorado who are ready for our message. They deserve it. Won't you help us help them? Spread the word. Freedom is our message.

Volunteers - Thank You!!!

Rysz Myskiw	Gordy Haug	Kurt Jones
Tom Martin	Mark Baraga	Mary Lind
Nikki Baraga	Derek Reich	Jon Baraga
Devon Reich	Mark Welch	Jim Glennie
Chris Petty	Jamie Petty	Steve Vandervelde
Charles Stogsdill	Bill Harrigan	Kirby Werner
Geoffrey Lloyd	Dave Aithen	Chris Bechtold

Sept 17th

Big Welcome at **Montrose Airport**.
Please Come!

Cavalcade through **Delta**.
Come Honk With Us!

Keynote Speech Delta Colorado
Libertarians & Tabor Amendment
Supporters at
Gunnison River Park
Hope You'll Come!

Barbecue
Grand Junction
With L.P. Candidate
Robert Martin &
Seminar on
"How to Build
The Party"

Sept 18th

Possible Visit to **Aspen**
Details to Come!

Sept 19th

Ft. Collins Monthly
Party-Do Come!

KIMN Will Huett Talk
Show - Call In!
CSU Debate - Let's Organize
on Campus!

Sept 20th

Boulder Breakfast With
Libertarians & Friends - We Need
You to Be Here!
Golden Odd Fellows Club
Debate on Drugs - Public
Welcome!

Sept 21st

Denver
Monthly CLP
Cocktail Party

We Need You to Come to
Events & Bring Friends!
Call the Media and Ask
Them to Cover the Visit!!

Fund Raising!!!
Can You Help? Will You?

ANDRE MARROU
IS
COMING

Call These Area Organizers For Details

Delta Co. Ron Bain	323-6853	Boulder Chuck Wright	924-6247
Mesa Co. Steve Thurman	243-1088	Denver Doug Anderson	757-8896
Ft. Collins Mary Margaret	484-8184		



1988 Campaign Update:

The following Libertarian candidates have either gained ballot access in Colorado or are facing a challenge of the validity of their ballot access petitions:

Candidate	Office	Status	Telephone
Ron Paul	President	On Ballot	756-6601
David Aitken	State Rep. Dist. 6	On Ballot	831-4334
Geoffrey Lloyd	RTD Dist. A Denver	Challenged	733-7962
Robert Martin	Mesa Co. Comm.	On Ballot	241-5324

Come to Delta in mid-September! Combine politics, vacation time!

Delta County, on the Western Slope, is one of those places that could become predominantly Libertarian, like Big Water, Utah, given the right catalyst. Perhaps that catalyst will be the appearance of Libertarian vice presidential nominee Andre Marrou in Delta County on Saturday, Sept. 17 at noon at the Gunnison River Pleasure Park. Here's how to get there:



Take I-70 west. Once you get to Glenwood Springs, you have a choice: you can continue on I-70 to Grand Junction and exit onto U.S. Hwy. 50 going in a southwesterly direction, turning east-northeast onto Colo. Hwy. 92 at Delta; or, you can exit I-70 at Glenwood Springs, travel southeast on Colo. Hwy. 82 to Carbondale, turning south onto Colo. Hwy. 133 and travelling over McClure Pass to the point in Hotchkiss where 133 becomes part of Colo. Hwy. 92. The Gunnison River Pleasure Park is marked by a star on the map.

Fill out this form and mail to National L.P. 1528 Pennsylvania Ave S.E. Wash DC 20003

We Petition

The League of Women Voters
to include
Ron Paul
Libertarian
For President
in the Presidential Debates

Whereas, the Libertarian Party has run five candidates for President, in every election since 1972,

Whereas, the Libertarian Party is the third largest political party in the U.S.,

Whereas, the Honorable Ron Paul, the Libertarian Party candidate for President, has been elected four times to serve as a Representative in the United States Congress,

Whereas, Ron Paul's Presidential campaign has now received widespread national and local media attention,

Whereas, the Paul campaign already fulfills the debate requirements of the League of Women Voters,

Resolved, that we, the undersigned, strongly believe the League should include the Libertarian Party Presidential candidate in the debates against the Republican and Democratic Party candidates. The League should do so in fairness to voters as well as to enliven an event that, without Ron Paul, promises to be prosaic.

signature

date

KUDOS

Neal Lafon for paper; Stanley Larson, Victoria Mason, Dave Tyson, Brian Holthouse, Clyde Harkins, Bill Fargo & David Aitken for assembling the last CLIP-board.

YES! I'd like to help the cause of freedom in Colorado. Here's my:
___ one-time ___ monthly
donation of:

___ \$5 ___ \$10 ___ \$25 ___

I'm low on funds, but I'd like to volunteer to:

___ Raise funds ___ Speak

___ Staff office ___ Pamphleteer

I'm not a Libertarian (yet), but I'd like to receive the CLIPboard - here's \$6 to cover postage ___

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Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

CLP officers and Libertarian contacts:

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 Mesa County Liberty 243-1088
 Steve Thurman, Chairman,
 Organizing Grand Junction area
 Delta-Montrose Liberty 323-6853
 Ron Bain, Chairman
 Organizing Delta and Montrose Counties
 Bill Robinson, Ron Paul Contact 756-6601
 Penn Pffnner, Nat Com Contact 427-4357

Registered Libertarian update

If you live in a county not listed below and haven't done so already, go to your county clerk's office and ask for a listing of the registered Libertarians. In small counties, sometimes it is a free service; in larger counties, you might be asked for a cent or two per name. It's part of the CLP's current outreach effort, so do your part!

Adams	35	Denver	131	Summit	2
Arapahoe	57	Eagle	3	Unknown	13
Boulder	76	Jefferson	93		
Delta	6	Montrose	4	Total	420

TABOR petition numbers are adequate, but challenged

Early in August, the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights tax limitation amendment was assigned position six on the statewide ballot and 69,000 signatures on petitions were turned in to support the ballot access effort.

However, TABOR/6 author Douglas Bruce says Secretary of State Natalie Meyer is aiding and abetting opponents of tax limitation. A mid-August hearing didn't resolve a challenge of about 40,000 of the signatures, and was rescheduled for Sept. 13. Bruce says he'll seek an injunction against Meyers.

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