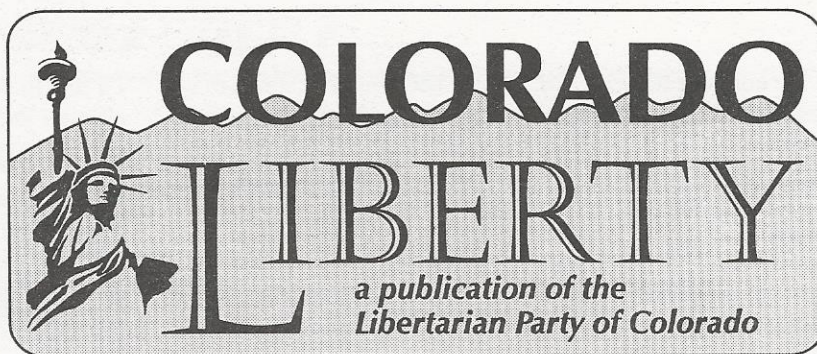


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# Chlouber, Kopel, & LP Candidates Highlight Rally

by Richard G. Combs

About 350 people attended the Liberty Alliance's annual Right to Bear Arms Rally on Sunday, April 21, at the State Capitol. The crowd was far larger than last year's (which was severely impacted by the Oklahoma City bombing and cold, wet weather), but well below the 1000+ of previous years.

Rally organizer and former Denver LP chair David Segal spoke first, detailing the events the rally commemorates—the battles of Concord and Lexington, April 19, 1775. He was followed by State Rep. Penn Pfiffner (former Colorado LP chair).

State LP chair David Aitken then presented the LP's annual Friend of Liberty award to State Rep. Ken Chlouber because, said Aitken, "on two seemingly very different issues, he took the consistently pro-freedom approach that is the essence of the Libertarian spirit." Aitken was referring to Chlouber's fight for easing concealed carry restrictions and his opposition to the ban on homosexual marriage. In addition to a plaque, Chlouber received a copy of Harry Browne's *Why Government Doesn't Work*. Chlouber thanked the LP for honoring him, but insisted his positions were merely "Colorado country common sense."

He reminded the crowd that carry reform keeps getting derailed in the State Senate, and noted that he was running for a State Senate seat this year against an incumbent "so far to the left that she's in oncoming traffic" (Linda Powers).

Independence Institute Senior Fellow David Kopel's speech followed, and it was certainly the rhetorical highlight of the rally and the crowd favorite. Kopel railed against the anti-terrorism bill just passed, hammering the Republicans in particular for their willingness to subvert the Bill of Rights. When he noted that Clinton got his way on this issue "with the help of Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich," members of the audience spontaneously shouted the names of Colorado's Congressional Republicans, all of whom had also voted for the bill.

Candidate speeches completed the rally, and the four Libertarians all distinguished themselves. MC Marty Nalitz began with the U.S. Senate race, where State Sen. Charles Duke gave a good, but overly-long address focused on restraining the federal government to Constitutionally authorized functions. Gale

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State Chair David Aitken presents Rep. Ken Chlouber with the Libertarian Party's Friend of Liberty award and a copy of Harry Browne's book, *Why Government Doesn't Work*. Photo by Richard G. Combs.

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# To the Editor:

At the present moment, I have never been more ashamed to be a member of the Libertarian Party of Colorado. I've talked to a member of the TABOR Committee, and it appears they may not be able to get enough signatures to get their tax cut measure on the ballot.

I don't expect the Democrats or the G.O.P. to help, nor do I expect your average American to help—they're too busy eating dinner and complaining.

But I *do* expect Libertarians to help. Everyone in this party should get a few signatures to help Doug Bruce.

If my membership were due now, I highly doubt I would renew. Who wants to pay \$30 a year to be associated with a bunch of people who fail to realize the importance of collecting a few signatures? So let's put the word out—get these people moving—help Doug Bruce get his signatures, or don't call yourselves Libertarians!

Brad Rebers  
Denver

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I'd like to compliment Cy Smaling for "volunteering" to be an election judge. It's a big step in the eyes of the local election officials.

I found myself in a similar situation in 1994 when I visited the Mesa County Clerk's office requesting voting information. While waiting for the information, I "volunteered" to be an election judge. I knew I would be turned down because I was a registered Libertarian.

However, they had trouble finding election judges that year and took my name, "just in case." Sure enough, a few days later they called to ask if I could serve. I said yes and sat in the voting room with Democrats and Republicans discussing the issues.

But what made it more interesting is that I was called each election after, including the primary elections for Republicans and Democrats, to serve as a judge. And they knew I was a registered Libertarian. I had to turn down the other opportunities, but they were there, and they never stopped until I moved from Colorado.

I would venture to guess that if any Libertarian placed their name on a waiting list for election judges, they would be allowed to serve. Try it!

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## Aspen Liberty Coalition

The group has joined with local area ranchers to fight down-zoning. Tom Peckham had an excellent letter on this topic published in the *Aspen Times*. The bold title was "Property theft," and it began with this quote from the Constitution: "...nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation." They tried to recall the socialist County Commissioners, getting 40% in favor of one recall. They are working with one city councilman who represents the area ranchers; he has offered to speak at their meeting.

## Boulder County

Boulder is fielding an incredible slate of candidates: in addition to the Presidential ticket, they will have Earl Allen running for the U.S. House of Representatives, Kevin Wilkerson running for Colorado House District 11, and Chuck Wright running for Colorado House District 13. They are hoping to find candidates for the RTD Board (the Longmont RTD District) and for a County Commissioner seat.

At the last meeting, speakers Nancy Sullo and Tom Moore discussed how U.S. Cuban policy violates our rights. At the

next meeting, Brian Holthouse of the Fully Informed Jury Association will explain why the McVeigh trial is not a good place for FIJA publicity. He will discuss a drug case in Boulder that is a good opportunity for FIJA.

## Denver County

Denver's May 14th meeting will feature Dick Sargent, former Republican gubernatorial candidate. Sargent, active in the Colorado Union of Taxpayers, will give an outsider's view of the LP.

## Jefferson County

Earl Allen, Clark Marley, and Jerry Hatch made a splash at Congressman David Skagg's Town Meeting. Allen, wearing a lapel badge declaring his candidacy, asked Skaggs if people wouldn't get along better if they could simply keep their money in the first place. The Congressman was unable to answer.

The Jeffco group has begun a speakers program, contacting 35 service groups to let them know that Libertarian speakers are available for their meetings. Earl Allen got the project off to a great start, addressing a Kiwanis breakfast. He talked about his candidacy and the LP philosophy, and was well received.

# Calendar of Events

## May

- 1 LPC Board of Directors meeting, LPC office, 720 E. 18th (at Clarkson), Denver, 6:30 p.m. Party members are welcome.
- 1 & 15 CSU Campus Libertarians, CSU Student Center. Bruce Lockhart, (970) 223-7504.
- 2 Jefferson County LP, Denny's Restaurant, 565 Union Blvd., 6:30 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting. Clark Marley, (303) 420-8175.
- 7 Ft. Collins 1st Tue. Breakfast Club, Tony's, 224 South College, 7 a.m. Speaker. Pat Hartman, (970) 224-3116.
- 8 Adams County Libertarians, Coco's at Northglenn Mall, 104th & I-25, 7 p.m. Earl Allen, (303) 254-4978.
- 8 & 22 Routt County Common Sense Club, Overlook Lodge, Steamboat Springs, 7:30 p.m. Robert Jahelka, (970) 879-4127.
- 13 & 27 Aurora LP, Shoney's, 13700 E. Mississippi, 7 p.m. Doug Newman, (303) 363-4172.
- 14 Denver LP, Knights of Pythias Hall, 1127 S. Tejon, 7 p.m. Speaker: Dick Sargent, "An Outsider's View of the Libertarian Party." Bert Wiener, (303) 934-3245.
- 14 Summit County LP. Call John Sabal at (970) 262-6369 for time and location.
- 15 San Luis Valley LP meeting, Forbes Park, 6:30 p.m. Call Bob Johnson, (719) 379-2767, for directions.
- 19 Boulder LP, Old Train Depot, 30th & Pearl, business meeting at 5 p.m., outreach meeting at 7 p.m. Speaker: Brian Holthouse, FIJA. (303) 443-1870.
- 20 Ft. Collins 3rd Mon. Dinner Club, China Dragon Restaurant, 1401 W. Elizabeth, 7 p.m. Mary Margaret, (970) 484-8184.
- 23 Aspen Liberty Coalition, Pitkin County Library, 7 p.m. Tom Peckham, (970) 925-6027.
- 31 Cocktail party at David Aitken's, 1240 Ogden, #4, Denver, 7 p.m. Bring beverage and munchies. (303) 831-4334.

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# Constitution Says Drugs Are Legal...Now!

by Ron Bain

A recent issue of *National Review*, Bill Buckley's "bible" of conservatism, devoted twenty-odd pages to demonstrating that the War on Drugs is a bad idea and that we should consider legalization.

While it's nice to see such a bastion of conservatism recognize the failure of drug prohibition, the editors of *National Review* should reread the Constitution. Any person of reasonable intelligence who reads Amendments XIII, XIV, and XXI should understand that intoxicating and medical drugs are already legal in this nation, and that laws which attempt to prohibit such drugs are, in fact, unconstitutional.

Before there are any knee-jerk objections to this assertion, consider the arguments in favor of this legal view. In the past, all Constitutional Amendments have been subjected to erroneous and faulty interpretations, including those just mentioned. Please review the following:

**Amendment XIII** reads: "Section 1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction. Section 2 Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

The only proper way to interpret this amendment is that, because no one else can own or control your body, you own and control your own body. Bodily control and ownership must imply control over what is ingested. Therefore, the Constitution guarantees us the right to own our own bodies, control our biologies, and ingest what we please.

Section 1 is the only section of **Amendment XIV** with which we need concern ourselves. It states: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Properly interpreted, this amendment would not allow States to pass or enforce laws restricting the right of citizens to control their own bodies or to ingest what they please. Furthermore, it guarantees to *all* citizens the same rights under the law enjoyed by *any* citizens. This is an important point as we approach **Amendment XXI**, which repealed Prohibition.

It states: "The eighteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed."

The Eighteenth Amendment stated that "the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited."

Therefore, the Constitution guarantees American citizens the right to become intoxicated; on this subject, there is no doubt. The Constitution also specifies "intoxicating liquors...for beverage purposes" as the proper and legal source of this intoxication. However, the Constitution also guarantees one citizen the same rights enjoyed by other citizens. Intoxicating liquors are the chemical distillates or derivatives of a variety of edible and non-edible plants, including corn, wheat, rice, potatoes, grapes, barley, hops, and even certain types of cacti. Most intoxicating drugs are also the chemical distillates or derivatives of a variety of edible and non-edible plants, such as coca, poppies, marijuana, mushrooms, and morning glories. If it's OK for one citizen to become intoxicated using a chemical distillate of plant matter, then it should be OK for another citizen to become intoxicated using a different distillate of plant matter.

Finally, the Constitution makes clear that anyone who attempts to abridge American citizens' rights with drug prohibitions is in clear violation of the law of the land. So, who are the criminals? Not the users of illicit drugs, but the legislators, police, judges, prison wardens, and guards who continually violate the Constitution by imprisoning American citizens for exercising their inalienable rights. That's how I interpret equal protection under the law.

I'm not the only one, either. The governments of Holland, Germany, and Colombia all have constitutions similar in content to our own, and the supreme courts of those nations have each legalized drugs on the grounds that they cannot deny to one citizen what they do not deny to another. Can you imagine Germany saying to its citizens: "We're going to ban alcohol because we don't want anybody becoming intoxicated from any substances." Rather, the highest legal authority in Germany said this: "If it's a constitutional right to become intoxicated, then it's a constitutional right to become intoxicated. It matters not the source of the intoxication."

The American mass media, which loves to provide constant updates of America's ongoing Drug War, has been somewhat reluctant to provide updates on Germany's three years of legalization. But imagine a news report that read like this:

"BERLIN – The streets of Germany's capital were quiet again today as legal users of marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and hallucinogens went placidly about their daily affairs. Police report street crime is down for the third year in a row, and also acknowledge that corruption within their own ranks is diminishing. Drinkers and drug users joined together in bars throughout Germany to celebrate this new era of peace, tolerance, and good will."

Ron Bain, a Boulder businessman and former editor of *Colorado Liberty*, writes a semimonthly column in the *Colorado Daily*. As far as we know, it is the first regular newspaper column by a Libertarian in Colorado. This article appeared, in slightly different form, in that column.



## Libertarian Candidates Highlight Rally, *continued from page 1*

Norton was represented by Hugo Teufel, who cited his own impeccable credentials on the 2nd Amendment, insisted that Norton was a strong defender of our rights, and denied the stories that she favored a greater federal role in law enforcement. However, he did not specifically refute the charge that she supported passage of the anti-terrorism bill.

The difference between Libertarians and Republicans was made clear by the speeches of Earl Allen and Joe Rogers. Allen, the LP candidate in the 2nd District, enumerated all the ways that our current "leaders" show they don't trust the people they represent, and urged the crowd to stop trusting their promises and start voting Libertarian. Rogers, Republican candidate in the 1st District, made a rambling, platitudinous speech of little focus or substance—except for his attempt to refute a critical handout by explaining how his support of the Brady bill and the "ugly gun" ban (Feinstein amendment) are not incompatible with the 2nd Amendment because they're only aimed at keeping "the wrong people" from getting "the wrong guns." He received the least applause of any speaker.

The candidates included here are actively campaigning for the Libertarian Party nomination. They are listed alphabetically.

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Four state house candidates concluded the rally, and the three Libertarians showed themselves to be serious, articulate, principled candidates. Kevin Wilkerson (H.D. 11) noted that the liberal incumbent, Todd Saliman, has no Republican opponent, and promised to focus his campaign on gun rights and the War on Drugs, which he described as inextricably intertwined. Chuck Wright (H.D. 13) was so brief and to the point that MC Marty Nalitz joked "you have no future in politics if you can't talk longer than that." Doug Newman (H.D. 42) spoke immediately after his potential Republican opponent, Walt Cross, and his brief, hard-hitting, well-reasoned remarks were in sharp contrast to the ranting of the vitriolic Cross.

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# Survey Says...

by Larry Hoffenberg, Membership Director

Recently, the Board of Directors of the Libertarian Party of Colorado surveyed one slice of our membership: those who are registered Libertarian voters, but who are not dues-paying members of either the Colorado or National organization. The purpose of the survey was to learn more regarding their perspectives and beliefs about the Libertarian Party.

We'd like to share some of our members' thoughts with the entire party. The following excerpts from the survey were in response to the question "How can the Libertarian Party become a more effective organization?"

"The (public) perception of the LP MUST change. I have talked to many politically fluent people who think Libertarians are a bunch of 'nuts.' This must change before Libertarians will have any credibility. Personal freedom and liberty are not 'nutty'..."

## "Personal freedom and liberty are not 'nutty'..."

"I don't buy the line that 'government is out to get us.'...I believe strongly that the government of the USA is US. It is not a monster; it is not a thing; it is not itself capable of forming and carrying out a campaign against the citizens....Our government is made up of citizens. If we don't like [the politician's] agendas, we can get elected to carry out OUR agenda. It is up to citizens like ourselves to bring back some balance; to discuss new ideas; to challenge; and to participate."

"A frighteningly large percentage of the public is minimally or not involved in politics. I believe this is mostly due to apathy resulting from lack of objective information and education."

"How can the LP become more effective? Compromise your values...that's a joke, by the way."

"I am now a registered Libertarian because of my increasing disgust with the major parties and government in general. I applaud your efforts and wish you all success."

"I'm still interested in your candidates and ideology after 20 years in the Party. In recent years the party has moved in a direction I'm not fully in support of. Don't fall into the hands of gun toting, right-wing freedom zealots and rich people just looking for a tax break."

"I consider myself a libertarian, but I object to your slanted articles that play on people's fears. I believe that as public property,

the environment should be protected by our government, even if it means retaining some bureaucracy."

"Quite frankly, I am fed up with Republican wishy-washiness on the important issues. I would never again vote for one of those %\$^&ing dumb Democrats. Further, I feel very strongly that we must defeat 'Old Slick Willie' in the coming election or else this country will go down as %\$^& in the history books."

"I consider the Libertarian Party to be the second political party in America. For the last 200 years, there has been only one political party in America: the 'Property Party.'...It is the reason our country does not change and will not change even a little bit until a great catastrophe occurs (either war or depression), revealing the bankruptcy of the whole rotten system. There's not even the slightest hope of changing the current system."

What do YOU think about the Libertarian Party? Send your comments, criticisms, and concerns to:

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Or, send an e-mail message to [LPColorado@aol.com](mailto:LPColorado@aol.com) or a fax to (303) 755-4843.

## Freedom Under Attack

by Dennis Polhill

The Right to Petition has long been under attack by the ruling elite. If the Legislature succeeds in repealing majority rule, then the people's ability to reform government or to hold it accountable will be diminished nearly to zero. In response to the tyranny of the Legislature, in the November election the people of Colorado must:

1. Crush Referred Measure "A" (repeal of majority rule).
2. Pass the Petition Rights Amendment (PRA).
3. Defeat incumbent legislators in both major parties who voted for "A."
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## SHOULD YOU Run FOR Office IN 1996?

■ **LP Campaigns Chair Ron Crickenberger explains why you should be a candidate**

**C**ome on, try it! I know you've been thinking about it. Some of your friends are already doing it, and all of your friends are talking about it. They're having fun with it. Yeah, I know, you've worried about getting hooked, that you'll end up like me and be doing it all the time. But you can handle it. Come on, try it! *Run for office.*

My Libertarian friend, the party needs you as a candidate. Our goal of running a record 1,000 candidates in 1996 needs your personal help. There is nothing you can do which will help the party more this year than putting your name on the ballot.

The purpose of the Libertarian Party is to move public policy in a Libertarian direction by fielding and electing LP candidates. Running for office is the *single most effective way* of promoting our philosophy. Why? Because it multiplies your personal efforts to such a great degree. Here's how:

**1** Contributions to your campaign will **funnel money into LP activism** that would not otherwise be there.

**2** As a candidate, you'll have **increased access to the media.** No, the network TV station isn't likely to give you five minutes on the 6 o'clock news every night, but you

are virtually guaranteed an interview and article with every newspaper in your area.

**3** You'll **build the party.** Every candidate has opportunities to sign up new members. The easiest way is to include a membership form on your literature.

**4** Most importantly, you'll **move public policy.** Ask most any experienced Libertarian candidate and they'll tell you that simply by being in the race, they forced the older party candidates to take more pro-freedom — or at least less statist — positions. Often, Libertarian campaigns produce very direct, measurable results. Just by being in the race, our candidates have killed tax increase proposals, saving taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars. One example: The race of Bruce Van Buren for City Commissioner in Avondale, Georgia killed the other commissioners' plans for a \$3 million tax increase. This not only personally saved Bruce about \$3,000 in taxes (not bad for several weekends of work) but also saved the same amount for all the other city residents.

What should you run for? That depends on what you are personally best-suited for, and what you are personally most interested in. The LP has long debated whether it is best to run candidates for high-level, high-visibility offices, or to run low-level campaigns where there is a real chance to win. These are not mutually exclusive strategies. Both types of campaigns have advantages and benefits for the party.

From my perspective as Chairman

of the LP's Campaign Committee, it's clear we must run candidates at *all levels.*

So choose a race that best fits your goals, abilities, and experience and energy levels.

If you are known on the local level, and have the time and funding that might propel you to win a State Represen-

tative race or lower office, go for it!

If you don't think winning local elections is of value, just ask recently re-elected LP City Council members Bonnie Flickinger and Sandy Webb. They'll tell you they were returned to office because their townsfolk liked the way they were fighting taxes and repealing regulations. And winning locally sets the stage for bigger wins to come. Plus, our 172 office-holders were the prime reason the *Congressional Quarterly* recently said the LP has "a status no third party has enjoyed in decades."

If your time and contributions must be more limited, you may want to choose an outreach and information-oriented, upper level campaign. Congressional level and state-wide campaigns do offer a lot of bang for just a few bucks in terms of free media, outreach, and membership growth potential.

**A**ND IF YOU DON'T THINK the 5% of the vote we get in such races is of value just ask a candidate in one of those states where the older parties have offered us \$100,000 or more to pull our candidates out of the race. The Democrats and Republicans know that the swing vote we control is often the balance of power in major races, and they are paying attention.

And when our candidates in these races start consistently getting around 10% of the vote — which could happen in this election — we'll be in a position to achieve the kind of victory in the electoral process the Socialist Party achieved in the early part of this century.

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After all, we are in the government mess we are in today because the major parties, by incorporating major portions of the Socialist Party platforms into their own, co-opted the 10% of the vote the Socialist parties had been getting for a few election cycles. We can point government in the direction of Liberty with the same strategy.

**I** hope I've convinced you that you should run for office. If you are still on the fence, please give me an opportunity to convince you personally. Call me at (770) 717-9287, and I'll give you a further sales pitch, and try to answer any questions you might have.

If you are already running, THANK YOU!

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# random notes

## LPC Accepted into State Fair

As this edition of Colorado Liberty goes to press, the LP of Colorado has received preliminary approval and acceptance as an exhibitor at the 1996 Colorado State Fair. Official acceptance should come in early May.

Over 1.2 million visitors are expected to attend the fair, which runs from August 17 to September 2 (Labor Day) at the State Fairgrounds in Pueblo. This is smack in the middle of the election campaign, so politics will be on everyone's mind.

We need to begin planning NOW for this extremely important outreach and campaign event. We need to:

- firm up a complete schedule of volunteers and/or commissioned membership representatives to staff the booth a full 12 hours a day, 10 am to 10 pm.
- raise an estimated \$1,000 to cover up-front fees and expenses to operate the booth for the 17 days of the fair.
- find/hire someone to take overall responsibility for the entire effort.

The 1996 Colorado State Fair will be our largest and most important project EVER. Please help us ensure its success. To sign up to staff the booth, or to offer your help in whatever form you can—time, money, materials, overnight accommodations in the Pueblo area, or whatever else—please call the LPC office at 303-837-9393 or 800-211-5214.

## New Membership Plan Proposed

The national LP is considering a "unified membership" plan. Under this system, you'd no longer have separate memberships in the state and national LP, and each state LP would receive a portion of the dues paid by all national members from that state.

Benefits to the LPC include: less paperwork; lower overhead; and a share of the dues from the approximately 200 Coloradans who are national members, but don't currently pay any state dues. Drawbacks include: less money from those who currently join the state party at a level above the basic membership; less local control over the process.

Should we support this plan? Under what conditions? Let us know what you think.

## Kudos to...

Doug Anderson, Debbie Bishop, and Richard Combs, who spent several hours at the main post office in downtown Denver on April 15th, waving "Honk if you hate taxes" and Harry Browne signs at the last-minute filers. They were kept company for a while by David Segal, and they handed out some of the LP's million dollar bills and got a lot of positive feedback from disgruntled taxpayers (including one postal employee).

Larry Hoffenberg, who mounted a similar outreach/protest effort all by himself at the Aurora post office.

David Segal, who organized another great rally (see page 1) and even managed to make the weather cooperate!

Please indicate quantities to left of each item.

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- \_\_\_ Why Libertarians Support Equal Rights for Gun Owners
- \_\_\_ Working to Cut Your Taxes

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- \_\_\_ Legalize Freedom
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- \_\_\_ Thank You Doug Bruce
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- \_\_\_ If Pro Is the Opposite Of Con Is Progress the Opposite of Congress
- \_\_\_ Fight Crime – Shoot Back
- \_\_\_ I Don't Dial 911 (w/ hand holding pistol)
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- \_\_\_ If You Are Not Part of The Solution, You Are Part of the Problem. Help Restore the Bill of Rights
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