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### Candidates Filing for March Primary

Five LP members in Santa Clara County have begun the process of getting on the ballot in the upcoming Primary election, to be held 3 March 2020.

Each of these candidates has already circulated and filed a "Signatures in Lieu" petition, and most of them had enough valid signatures on that petition to cover the minimum "nominating" number required to be on the ballot. These signatures will also reduce slightly the size of their filing fees, but they will all still need to pay a substantial amount to complete the process.



- for Congressional District 17 Joe Dehn
- for Congressional District 18 Bob Goodwyn
- for Congressional District 19 John David Ward
- for State Senate District 13 John Webster
- for State Assembly District 24 Kennita Watson

We will be considering **endorsements** for these candidates at our central committee meeting coming up on 23 November.

It is still possible for additional candidates to file, if they can pay the filing fee and successfully complete a nominating petition by the final filing deadline, which is 6 December.

The filing fee for each candidate for Congress will end up being about \$1700, and for each candidate for the state legislature about \$1000. These candidates would welcome your help with this. They are putting their names on the line to represent

the Libertarian Party on the ballot. They shouldn't need to *also* pay the filing fee themselves or spend all their time over the next few weeks raising funds for this purpose.

If you are able to help any or all of these candidates - or if you are interested in becoming a candidate yourself - please contact our Campaigns Chair, John Inks, at <a href="mailto:campaigns@scclp.org">campaigns@scclp.org</a> or 650-941-4167 for more information.

### New Officers Elected to Fill Vacancies

At its meeting on 21 September, the county Executive Committee acted to fill vacancies in several officer positions that were created when the individuals previously serving in those positions were no longer able to serve for various reasons.

Taking on the job of Chair is **Joe Dehn**, from Sunnyvale. Joe first got involved with the LP SCC in the early 1990s. He served three terms as Chair previously, from 2015 to 2018. Prior to that he had held various other positions in the county organization including Vice Chair, Secretary, and Newsletter Chair.

Our new Treasurer is **Steve Haug**, from San Jose. He also currently serves as Treasurer for the Libertarian Party of California.

Our new Activities Chair is **John David Ward**, also from San Jose. He has served in the past as our Publicity Chair and our representative to the LPC Platform Committee.

A complete list of the current officers can be found at:

#### http://www.scclp.org/executive\_committee

Because Joe and Steve had been serving on the county Judicial Committee and had to resign those positions to be able to fill these vacancies on the Executive Committee, there are now two vacancies on the Judicial Committee. We will be holding an election to fill those vacancies at the Central Committee meeting scheduled for 23 November.

### **JSA Convention Report**

Libertarians from several counties came together again this month to provide information about the LP at the JSA Convention in San Jose. This organization of high school students interested in politics and government holds a convention twice per year, once in the fall and once in the spring.



As usual, this outreach project was spearheaded by Lawrence Samuels of Monterey County. LP of Santa Clara County members who participated were Elizabeth Brierly, Don Cormier, Anirban Das, Joe Dehn, Mark Hinkle, John David Ward, Kennita Watson, and John Webster.

## Coffee Meetings Continue

Our monthly Coffee Meet Up events are an opportunity for Libertarians to meet informally on a regular basis and talk about anything that might be of interest to them. They are also a place that other people can come to find out more about the Libertarian Party.

The October meeting was held in San Jose, and the November meeting was held in Sunnyvale. The meeting for **December** will again be held in San Jose, but at a different location - at the site of "Christmas in the Park", where we will again be sponsoring a tree. For details of this project contact our Activities Chair, John David Ward, at <a href="mailto:activities@scclp.org">activities@scclp.org</a>.

## Central Committee Meeting - 23 November

A regular business meeting of the Central Committee of the Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County will be held Saturday, 23 November.

#### Location:

- Omega Family Restaurant
- 90 S. Park Victoria Drive
- Milpitas

#### Schedule:

- 1pm-2pm lunch
- 2pm-4pm business meeting

### The agenda will include:

- · Reports of officers and committees
- Endorsement of candidates in the March primary



· Election to fill vacancies in the Judicial Committee

Note: All supporters of the Libertarian Party are welcome to attend this meeting, but only central committee members can vote. If you would like to join as a central committee member, visit: <a href="https://www.scclp.org/join">https://www.scclp.org/join</a>

If you have any question about your membership status, let us know at: <a href="mailto:membership@scclp.org">membership@scclp.org</a>

# **Calendar Summary**

- 23 November County Central Committee Meeting
- 6 December Candidate Filing Deadline for March Primary
- 21 December Coffee Meet Up at Christmas in the Park
- 11 January County Annual Meeting
- 14-17 February <u>LPC State Convention</u>
- 3 March Primary Election
- 21-25 May LP Presidential Nominating Convention



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