



# Santa Clara County *Libertarian*

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## Please Pardon Our Dust!

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The Santa Clara Libertarian is in transition, as much as is the Libertarian Party itself. It could be argued that the many changes this past year have not all been for the best, but please be patient. There is much to do, but we can do it! Please send your comments and submissions for the newsletter to [l.party@yahoo.com](mailto:l.party@yahoo.com).

## November Central Committee Meeting

- Post Election Discussion
- Open LPSCC Positions
- Strategies for the Future

All Libertarian Party members in good standing are invited to attend and vote on issues concerning Santa Clara County. You do not have to buy dinner to attend the meeting, but it is requested that you do make a purchase to show appreciation to the restaurant management for our use of the space.

The meeting will be held on:

Wednesday, November 15

at

Hobee's  
1875 S. Bascom Ave., Unit 190  
Campbell, CA 95008  
Phone: (408) 369 – 0575

Dinner: 7 pm  
Meeting: 8 pm – 9:20 pm

## The Libertarian Alternative

*The Libertarian Alternative* is a television program produced in Hollywood by Mark Selzer, Southern Vice Chair of the California State Libertarian Party. Episodes of *The Libertarian Alternative* are now available online free from Google Videos at <http://video.google.com/videosearch> (search for "Mark Selzer").

### *Libertarians and the War in Iraq*

Mark Selzer and guest co-host Angela Keaton talk to former white house economist Joe Cobb about the fiscal impact of the Iraq war.

### *The Free State Project*

Host Mark Selzer interviews Amanda Phillips,

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President of the Free State Project, at the Libertarian Party of Minnesota 2005 convention.

***Richard Mack***

Host Mark Selzer interviews Libertarian Sheriff Richard Mack.

***Elected Libertarians***

Guest Mark Dierolf talks about fighting taxes, serving in elected office and other activism at the local level.

***Harry Browne (2004)***

Interview with master communicator, and former LP Presidential hopeful, Harry Browne.

***Fighting Taxes***

Northern California LP Vice Chair Lawrence Samuels on fighting new tax increases and repealing old ones.

***Sue Jeffers***

Restaurant owner and LP activist Sue Jeffers on smoking bans and other regulation of the small business.

***Healing Our World***

LP activist and author Mary Ruwart on libertarian solutions to social ills.

***Alternative Medicine***

Discussion on alternative medical treatments.

***International Society for Individual Liberty***

Founder and President, Vince Miller, talks about the origins and activities of the ISIL.

***The Drug War***

Superior Court Judge Jim Gray on the futility of the war on drugs.

***Questions about Drug Testing***

Civil libertarian view of the practice of drug testing, and how the tests can be defeated.

***Medical Choice***

How government restricts our choices of medical care through unnecessary regulation.

***Libertarian Economists***

Two university professors discuss libertarianism and

economic freedom.

***Ayn Rand and Objectivism***

Former Rand protegé Nathaniel Branden on Rand's life and philosophy.

***Taking Responsibility***

Author Nathaniel Branden on his book, "Taking Responsibility".

***New York Libertarians***

LPNY Chair John Clifton explains ballot access challenges, the Howard Stern campaign, child protection and running for office as a Libertarian.

***Libertarian Veterans***

War and libertarianism from the perspective of two combat veterans.

***Authority Figures***

Discussion on authority figures with Libertarian feminist Sharon Presley.

***Ballot Access News***

Interview with Richard Winger of Ballot Access News on the obstacles facing third parties in the US.

***Harry Browne (2005)***

Two time LP presidential candidate Harry Browne talks about the Iraq war and other current events.

***Antiwar.com***

Interview with Eric Garris of antiwar.com, discussing the Iraq war and the high cost of military interventionism.

***The Iraq War and the PATRIOT Act***

Author David Horowitz argues in favor of the Iraq war, followed by former Congressman Bob Barr discussing the USA PATRIOT Act.

***Bureaucrash***

Heather Talley of Bureaucrash.com on making capitalism cool.

***David Brin***

Libertarian author David Brin gives a pragmatic, left-libertarian view of political strategy.



**Russell Means**

Television talk show featuring interview with Native American activist, Russell Means.

**Ed Thompson**

Interview with LP activist Ed Thompson.

**How should we fight the war on terror?**

Former US Army Officer Joseph Miranda discusses the tactical angles of the war on terror.

## David S. Saurman Provocative Lecture Series

*Jeffrey Hummel*

San Jose State University, Department of Economics  
DAVID S. SAURMAN PROVOCATIVE LECTURE  
SERIES presents:

**Andrei Illarionov**

"The Rise of the Corporatist State and the Fall of  
Freedom in Russia: An Insider's View"

*Students, faculty and the general public are all  
welcome to attend.*

Tuesday, November 14, 2006  
5:15-6:45 P.M.

The Rotary Summit Center  
(located on the seventh floor of the public  
parking garage on Fourth and San  
Fernando directly across from MLK  
Library, San Jose, CA)

The Department of Economics is pleased to present an insider's perspective on the financial crisis in today's Russia. Drawing on his extensive experience, Dr. Andrei Illarionov will provide a personal, in-depth view of the policies and the politics that have led to Russia's membership in the G-8 and to its current economic stagnation.

When Russia first embarked on economic reforms, Dr. Illarionov joined the team of "young reformers." He

became Deputy Director of the Center for Economic Reform, the Russian government's think tank and later served as the Chief Economic Advisor of Viktor Chernomyrdin, then Prime Minister of the Russian Federation.

From 2000 to 2005, Dr. Illarionov, served as President Valdimir Putin's Chief Economic Advisor and his personal representative to the G-8. While serving in President Putin's administration, Dr. Illarionov was the driving force behind the adoption of a 13% flat income tax, the creation of a Stabilization Fund for windfall oil revenues, and the early repayment of foreign debt. Under his leadership, Russia became a full-fledged member of the G-8 in 2002.

Dr. Illarionov's passionate, provocative talks about the political, economic, and social climate in Russia have been called Churchillian in style. He is widely known in Russia and abroad for his sharp, comprehensive and often unexpected analysis of Russian economic policies and development.

*About the David R. Saurman Provocative Lecture Series:* The Department of Economics invites students, faculty, and the general public to consider intellectual arguments on controversial topics. Presenters in the Provocative Lecture Series are noted for their outstanding scholarship and public speaking ability. This lecture series fosters the tradition of higher education to challenge ideas and develop critical thinking in an environment of respect and intellectual discourse. Our goal is for you to develop the critical thinking skills necessary to reach your own informed position on controversial issues. We invite you to attend, to relax, to ponder, and to enjoy the thought process.

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# Independent Policy Forum: Liberty and Leviathan

*Elizabeth C. Brierly*

An evening with:

**Robert Higgs**, Senior Fellow at The Independent Institute, discussing his new book, "Depression, War, and Cold War"

**Thomas S. Szasz**, Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry at SUNY, presenting the Szasz Civil Liberties Awards

Wednesday, December 6, 2006  
Reception: 6:30 P.M.  
Program: 7:00 P.M.

at

The Independent Institute Conference Center  
100 Swan Way, Oakland, CA 94621

Admission: \$35  
(\$25 for Institute members; \$15 for students)  
For tickets and information please call  
(510) 632-1366, or order on line:  
[www.independent.org](http://www.independent.org)

Disabled accommodations available.

You are cordially invited to the presentation of the Thomas S. Szasz Awards for Outstanding Contributions to the Cause of Civil Liberties to Robert Higgs and Robert Spillane, followed by a special forum featuring Dr. Higgs on "Liberty and Leviathan. How could the U.S. government have grown by more than one-third since 9/11, with Congress having increased the national debt to \$8.5 trillion, the feds annually consuming a record \$2.5 trillion, and civil liberties increasingly jeopardized? Dr. Higgs predicted this result, and now, as he unravels important questions of 20th century crises, he will provide a powerful, solidly grounded exposé of government power in the U.S. since the early 1930s.

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Freedom suppressed and again regained bites with keener fangs than freedom never endangered. - Marcus Tullius Cicero (106-43 B.C.)

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