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In the time it takes to read this message, your life's work could become nothing more than another nibble in the belly of the great machine, your "contribution" unnoticed and unworthy of even a burp.

If it takes you about half a minute to read this, by the time you're done, the federal government may have consumed every cent you ever earned, or will earn, in your entire life. Not just the money you paid in taxes — equal to perhaps 20 years of 40-hour-a-week slavery — but ALL your money.

According to my 1998 form 1040, the Federal Government spent one-and-two-thirds TRILLION dollars in 1997. That's over four and a half BILLION per day, or over 3 million per minute. We're talking about 52 thousand dollars PER SECOND.

Let's say someone works 50 years, from age 16 to 66, at a \$25,000 a year job. Their lifetime earnings — before taxes — would be 1.25 million. The feds would gobble that up in a mere 23.7 seconds.

If you make twice that, congratulations! Your efforts still won't feed the beast for a single minute, after which it will have to turn to someone

else's life's work and burn through that.

Let's be generous and say the average American makes \$40,000 a year. I'll bet it's less than that, especially when you factor in those who aren't earning a traditional income for whatever reason. But the hunger of the monster is so great there's no need to exaggerate. It devours 2,278 such people's incomes every day.

Imagine the fury if 2,278 people went up in smoke daily due to plane crashes! Or due to mass murderers, terrorism, or any of the other horrors which are regularly paraded in front of us. No one would stand for it! Why, even 2,000 Waco style incinerations per day would be hard to believe, even of our increasingly powerful government. Yet they keep shoveling thousands of lifetimes of earnings into the hungry maw every day, and we accept it, because we are accustomed to it.

Sorry, I'm afraid I've taken more than a half minute of your time by now. Which is a pity, because you've already been devoured and forgotten. Time to move on to another victim...

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From the Chair:

FACING CHALLENGES AND TRIUMPHS

We, as a Party, set three main internal goals for 1998:

1. Increase our dues-paying membership to 7,000
2. Increase our monthly pledge base to \$6,000 per month
3. Maintaining ballot status (DONE!)



MARK HINKLE

Here's how you can help.

1. donate money to fund additional membership mailers
2. donate time to phone people whose membership is about to expire
3. sign up your spouse, parents, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

The National LP has two massive mailers in the works: (1) A 40,000

piece mailer that's going to ex-members. (2) The second one's going to 90,000 registered Libertarians. Since almost half of all registered Libertarians in the US are in California, we'll benefit from those mailings.

Goal 2: I'm also pleased to report that our monthly pledge base has never been higher, although still shy of our goal of \$6,000 per month. So, we're doing another round of tele-marketing to raise funds, especially monthly pledges. I'm also pleased to report that in addition to accepting Visa and Mastercard, we now also accept American Express and the Discover card. And for the gold bugs among us, our e-gold account number is 107000.

Out of 6,532 dues-paying members, 220 generous folks have become monthly pledgers contributing \$4,753.26. These 220 folks are the people who fund the daily progress of the LPC and our regional organizations. Your membership dues

Goal 1: It's always nice to start off with great news. The LPC membership total at the end of September is 6,532. That's a new record high.

BUT. You know there's going to be a "but." According to analysis done by Joe Dehn, here are the numbers of memberships set to expire soon:

November	230
December	411
January	388
Total	1,029

We're within 468 members of our goal of 7,000. We are so close, and yet without your help, 6,532 may be the high for the year.

The National LP has managed to get about 80% of our members to renew, although the renewal rate from those who signed up via Project Archimedes has been lower. So, the projected, best-case, scenario is that we'll need 597 new members by year-end. The worst-case projection is that we'll need 788 members to reach our goal.

cover the cost of the newsletter with little left over to fund our many worthwhile projects. If, like me, you're impatient with the speed of our progress, please consider becoming a monthly pledger. It's the cheapest form of fund-raising we do. That means more funds for our continued progress.

And, if you want to help your local party, monthly credit card pledges will forwarded to your region each month if you wish or split with the LPC.

LPC has endorsed these external goals for 1999:

Goal 1: Prop 215, isn't just a good idea, it's the law! The www.215NOW.com web site continues to get better and better. As a computer professional, I use the web a great deal in my work. I visit many fancy web sites with tricky graphics and special effects. However, our 215NOW web site still stands out. It's simple, straight forward, and easy to use. If you haven't visited it in a month or so, check it out.

Goal 2: The repeal of Prop 10: the tax on tobacco users. The 675,000 signatures have been submitted and are being verified by the Secretary of State's office. The requirement is 461,000 valid signatures. Libertarians Ned and John Roscoe, owners of the Cigarettes Cheaper! stores sponsored this initiative.

Goal 2b: "None of the Above" initiative has qualified for the March 2000 ballot and has been endorsed by the LPC's Executive Committee. Associate LPC member Alan Shurgart, former CEO of Seagate, financed this initiative.

Goal 3: 200 candidates in the year 2000. Ted Brown, our candidate recruiter extraordinaire, has outdone himself once again. We have congressional candidates for 51 out of the 52 possible slots. The total, at press time, is 146 partisan and non-partisan candidates. Both are record highs.

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Excerpts from the San Diego Libertarian newsletter.

SMIFFING BRITISH MONEY

More than 99 percent of the bank notes in circulation in London are tainted with cocaine, according to an investigation commissioned by the BBC. The study, carried out by forensic chemists Mass Spec Analytical, tested more than 500 notes of various denominations and only four showed no trace of the drug.

Reuters Limited, October 4, 1999

THE GREEN COMMANDOS

40 officers divided into 10 four-man teams swooped in with helicopters in a pre-dawn raid to seize six suspects in Dorchester County, Md. The principal suspect, Robert Gootee, was hauled from his bed and led away in chains. His wife was not allowed to call anyone, nor were her neighbors allowed to come in to comfort her, for four and a half hours. What was the offense that precipitated this action? Gootee was charged with possession of an undersized striped bass, striped bass out of season, untagged striped bass, possession of summer flounder out of season, failure to tag and check deer within 24 hours and possession of a loaded weapon in a vehicle. The agents involved were from the state and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. And the target for the raid was the Golden Hills Hunt Club. Gootee, the club treasurer, was hauled away with such "evidence" as deer and duck mounts and a framed photograph of his retriever bringing in a duck.

Eventually, 24 other club members were charged with related offenses, including failure to wear sufficient fluorescent orange while hunting. It's not surprising, then, that after the raid in Maryland some American flags in Dorchester County were flying upside down.

WorldNetDaily.com, September 8, 1999

NO LAUGHING MATTER

If religious conservatives have their way, clapping, whistling, and laughing out loud will be outlawed in Iran. The magazine *Adineh* is the most recent casualty. Hardliners won a court ban on it for publishing an article headlined: Is Joy Lost in Our City? Is Laughing a Sin? The story recounted the author's experience of being admonished by a young member of the state morality police (Editor: oxymoron!) for laughing while eating with her family at a restaurant.

World Press Review, July 1999

DECODING THE HUMAN GENOME

There is a race between private enterprise and the U.S. Government to decode the human genome. Dr. Craig Venter (who expects to have the 3 billion letters of human DNA decoded by the end of 2001) asserts that the public effort to sequence the human genome financed by the National Institutes of Health, has chosen a flawed strategy that will produce a seriously incomplete DNA sequence.

San Diego Union-Tribune, June 9, 1999

SD TAXPAYERS GET CHARGED

The city of San Diego bought a block of 40,000 unused Charger Football tickets and gave them to public school kids and school employees. The 40,000 tickets at the average \$42 price came to a whopping \$1,680,000 (less 10% which the city saves by buying the tickets before the game).

San Diego Libertarian Party Release,
September 23, 1999

BLUE NOTE ON CONGRESS

Capitol Hill Blue is an online publication that covers federal politics. After researching public records, newspaper articles, civil court transcripts, and criminal records, Capitol Hill Blue discovered that:

- 29 members of Congress have been accused of spousal abuse.
- 7 have been arrested for fraud.
- 19 have been accused of writing bad checks.
- 117 have bankrupted at least two businesses.
- 3 have been arrested for assault.
- 71 have credit reports so bad they can't qualify for a credit card.
- 8 have been arrested for shoplifting.
- 21 are current defendants in lawsuits.

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Libertarian Party Release,
September 2, 1999

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AROUND THE STATE



*With 146 candidates already expected to run,
California is well on the way to reaching the goal of 200 candidates!*

GOAL: 200 CANDIDATES IN YEAR 2000

We have candidates from A to Z competing for national, state, and local offices. This list also can be seen at <http://www.ca.lp.org/e2000/>. The web site includes photos, e-mail addresses and connections to web pages.

Bruce Acker	Joe Cobb	Denni Gonzalez	Steve Marlowe	Jon Petersen	Dennis Triglia
Dana Albrecht	Nathan Craddock	J. R. Graham	William Marshall	Gary Pietila	Gene Trosper
Jack Anderson	Brian Lee Cross	Bob Harmon	Charles Martin	Rick Pinkerton	Thomas Tryon
Richard Armstrong	Linda DeGroat	Jason Heath	Henry Matus	Robert Ray	D. A. "Art" Tuma
Dwight M. Bailey	Joe Dehn	Jack Hickey	Michael "Mick" McGuire	Bill Reed	Phil Turner
Doris Ball	Jerry Douglas	Gary Hines	Mike Metti	Kelley Ross	Dennis Umphress
John Scott Ballard	Ron Driokane	Tom Hohman	Willard Michlin	Kathryn A. Russow	Roger Ver
Philip Baron	Patrick Dugan	William Holmes	Ethel Mohler	Steve Sabel	Robert Vondruska
Richard Barton	David Eaton	Phil Howitt	Howard Mora	Gordon Sachtjen	Fritz Ward
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Charles Black	Fred Foldvary	Gary Kirkland	Bob New	Michal Staninec	William Weilburg
Richard Boddie	Harvard Fong	David Kocot	Rusty Nichols	Starchild	Richard Weis
David Bonino	Gene Frazier	Tom Kohlhepp	David Nolan	Christian Stiehler	Randall Weissbuch
Pete Bret	William Frey	Arnold Kriegbaum	David Oakey	Ray Strong	Mark Werlwas
Carole Brow	Joe Furcinite	Barbara Less	Dale Ogden	Paul Studier	George White
Ted Brown	William Gaillard	Gail Lightfoot	James Oglesby	Marty Swinney	Douglas Williams
Autumn Browne	Keith Gann	Jay Lindberg	Richard Olmstead	Elizabeth Taylor	Dave Willoughby
Daniel Burton	Rick Garrett	Steve Lundry	Scott Pacer	Donna Tello	Guy Wilson
Roy Busch	John Gibson	Kit Maira	Roger Peebles	Thomas Testerman	Ed Wimmers
Scott Campanaro	Josh Gilleo	James Manion	Herbert Peters	Edward Teyssier	Scott Young
Richard Cardulla	Colin Goldman	Frank Manske		Paul Teyssier	Phillip Zoebisch
Michael Chacon	Alberto Gonzalez			Bill Thomason	Jonathan Zwickel

If you would like to run for office, contact

LPC Candidate Recruitment Coordinator Ted Brown: (626) 286-7817, e-mail: tebrown@earthlink.net

LIBERTARIANS PROTECT THE SECOND AMENDMENT



At the Del Mar Gun Show (San Diego County) Libertarians and other 2nd Amendment supporters sign petitions. There was also an LP booth inside the building where cameras were not allowed. Photo submitted by Max Newbury.



Second Amendment Rally was held on October 2 at Anderson River Park (Shasta County). Gail Lightfoot and Dwight Bailey stand in front of the LP booth.

LIBERTARIANS ARE EFFECTIVE CANDIDATES...

Nine Libertarians are candidates in local campaigns!

LP CANDIDATES SOUGHT LOCAL OFFICE IN NOVEMBER 2, 1999 ELECTIONS

Nine California Libertarians ran for office this fall in local elections from San Bernardino County to Shasta County.

“Local candidates are critical to our long-term strategy for success. Local races are non-partisan and more ‘winnable,’” Juan Ros (LP state executive director) noted. “Local offices give Libertarians a chance to not only implement Libertarian solutions at the local level but also to gain valuable experience that can serve as a stepping-stone to higher, partisan office.”

Leading the pack with four local candidates was San Mateo County. Candidates in that Region were: **Ray Bell, Margaret Buckley-Schmidt, Matt Grocott, and Jack Hickey.**

“Jack Hickey, who serves as Campaign Coordinator for the San Mateo County LP, deserves a lot of credit for recruiting these candidates, including himself!” Ros said. “San Mateo’s level of candidate activity is impressive and should be emulated by other counties.”

Grocott sought a seat on the City Council for San Carlos, a city of roughly 28,000 residents.

Further north in Shasta County, **Al Swain** — former chair of the LP of Shasta County and recipient of this year’s Karl Bray Memorial Award for Activism, handed out at the LPC’s 1999 convention in San Jose — ran to replace outgoing Libertarian John

Hufford on the Whitmore Union School District Board.

In Sacramento County, **Sean Harbaugh** ran for a seat on the Citrus Heights City Council. About 88,000 residents live in the city of Citrus Heights.

South in Riverside County, **Larry Baird** ran an aggressive campaign for a Board of Directors.

In Los Angeles County, **Rita White** — wife of LPC Region 67 Chair George White — campaigned to win a seat on the Bonita Unified School District Board.

Finally, in San Bernardino County, **John Scott Ballard** ran in the only partisan race this fall: a special election to replace the late Rep. George Brown in the 42nd Congressional District. Ballard faced not only Democratic and Republican opponents but also a Reform Party candidate.

Ballard is already an appointed officeholder, serving on the San Bernardino Board of Police Commissioners, a position he acquired due to his ceaseless activism in the community on behalf of lower taxes and less government. “John is an intelligent, articulate candidate. With all the money thrown around in this race, John stood out as a candidate of change and principle — unlike his opponents who represented nothing more than big government status quo,” Ros said.

Libertarians who ran for local office

Larry Baird — Riverside Community College Board of Directors

John “Scott” Ballard — U.S. Representative, 42nd District (Special Election)

Ray Bell — Sequoia Unified High School District Board

Margaret Buckley-Schmidt — San Mateo Community College Board of Trustees

Matt Grocott — San Carlos City Council

Sean Harbaugh — Citrus Heights City Council

Jack Hickey — San Mateo Community College Board of Trustees

Al Swain — Whitmore Unified School District Board

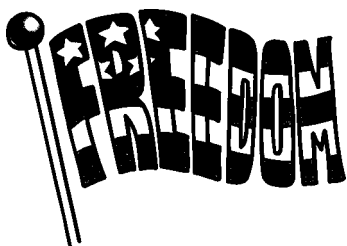
Rita White — Bonita Unified School District Board

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If you are considering running for a local office in 2000...

NOW is the time to seriously prepare. NOW is the time to start doing research in your local community to find out which offices will be up for election next year and when the filing period begins.

For example, County Supervisor seats in all 58 counties will be voted on, as well as dozens of county and city offices including City Council. Community College and School Boards are popular offices for Libertarian candidates, but others may want to run for Water District, Transportation District, or even Mosquito Abatement District!

AND SUCCESSFUL OFFICE HOLDERS!

Congratulations to our 35 California Libertarians currently holding office!

- John Scott Ballard** — San Bernardino Board of Police Commissioners
- Richard Barthelemy** — Napa County Airport Advisory Commission
- Mark Dierolf** — Hartnell Community College Governing Board (Salinas)
- David Dyer** — Orange County Citizens Review Panel for Human Services
- Lois Engel** — Board of Directors, Ophir Hill Fire District
- John Farr** — Trustee, Corona Library Board of Trustees & San Jose Youth Commission
- Bonnie Flickinger** — Moreno Valley City Council
- Michael Geller** — Moreno Valley Planning Commission
- Richard H. Halvorson** — San Diego County Department of Health Consumer Advisory Committee & San Diego Crime Commissioner
- Alison Harlow** — Co-Chair, Santa Cruz County Commission on the Status of Women
- Mark Hatfield** — Hollister Community Cable Access Commission
- Erik Henrikson** — Tahoe Public Utility Board Director
- Todd B. Herman** — Director, Sutter County Resource Conservation District Board
- John Hufford** — Whitmore Union School District Board
- Jan Hutchins** — Mayor, City of Los Gatos
- Phil Leavitt** — Carlotta Community Services District Board
- Anne Lindl** — Livermore School Board Trustee
- Mark Lockhart** — Lake County Agricultural Commissioner & Sealer of Weights and Measures
- Bruce McKenzie** — Commissioner, Downey Parking Commission
- John Mehaffey** — Saratoga City Council
- LeRoy Nelson** — Manhattan Beach Unified School District Board of Governors
- Robert Noble** — Arcata City Council
- Kate O'Brien** — Simi Valley Neighborhood Council
- Robert Patchin** — Mayor, City of Villa Park
- Jonathan Richter** — Fresno County Delinquency Prevention Commission
- Bonnie Rutherford** — Director, Standish-Litchfield Fire Protection District
- Dennis Schlumpf** — Tahoe Public Utility Board Director
- Marian Smithson** — West Covina City Treasurer
- Aaron Starr** — Simi Valley Cultural Art Center Foundation Board
- Jean Taborsky** — Bellflower Transportation and Safety Commission
- Glenda Thomas** — Siskiyou County Mental Health Advisory Board
- Thomas Tryon** — Calaveras County Supervisor
- Norman Vroman** — Mendocino County District Attorney
- Brad Walker** — Santa Clara County Airports Commissioner
- Sandi Webb** — Chair, Ventura County Water District 8 & Economic Development Collaborative of Ventura County

Any additions or changes to this list?

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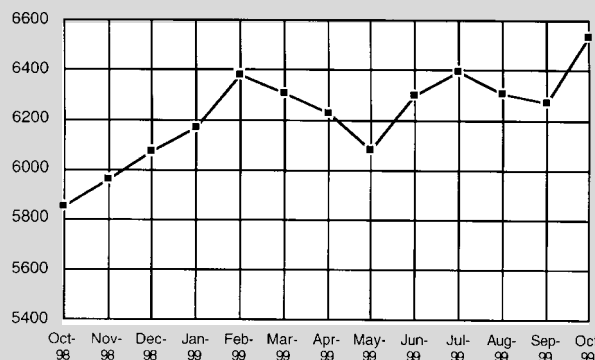


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Growth Watch Membership Sept. 30: 6,532 Goal 7,000



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Executive Director Update:

Moving the Party Forward and Mobilizing Candidates!

Juan Ros filled TV and radio airwaves last month while helping LPC candidates collect signatures as Campaign 2000's signature-gathering period kicked off.



JUAN ROS

“It’s been quite a month!” Ros stated. “In addition to our ongoing 215NOW! website and preparation for the upcoming LPC state convention, October 1 marked the official start of the 2000 campaign season. On top of that, I appeared on TV three times within two weeks!”

October 1 was the first day for candidates to take out papers with which to collect signatures in lieu of paying the candidate filing fee. The LPC provides lists of

registered voters to its candidates for signature-gathering, and this year the Internet served as an important tool.

“With the help of LPC Campaign Coordinator Ted Brown and LPC webmaster Joe Dehn, we were able to provide our candidates with online access to registered Libertarian voter files, which greatly helps accelerate the distribution of this information,” Ros said. “For those candidates without Internet access, we printed out hard copy lists and mailed them as quickly as possible so that candidates wouldn’t lose any time collecting signatures.”

State legislative candidates must turn in signatures by November 10. Federal candidates have until November 25 to collect signatures.

“At last check, we had 137 partisan candidates — including three contested primaries! Plus nine more candidates have announced for local nonpartisan office, so we’re well on our way towards meeting our 200-candidate goal!” Ros announced.

But candidates aren’t the only part of Campaign 2000 the LPC is focusing on. At its September 19 Executive Committee meeting, the LPC endorsed a proposed initiative to amend California’s “Three Strikes” law. The measure would limit the application of the three strikes sentencing enhancements to convictions for “serious” and “violent” felonies. Currently, non-violent crimes such as drug crimes can be considered “strikes.”

On September 22, Ros joined proponents of the initiative — including Californians to Amend Three Strikes, Save Our Sons, and the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression — in a press conference held on the steps of the Los Angeles Criminal Courts Building. All major local news media, both TV and radio, attended the conference.

“Whatever your thoughts on the effectiveness of ‘Three Strikes,’ I think Libertarians can agree that non-violent and victimless

crimes should not lead to 25-year prison sentences. With this measure the LPC can ally itself with left-leaning groups who we may not otherwise get a chance to work with,” Ros said.

At press time the initiative was still pending in the Attorney General’s office, awaiting Title and Summary, after which supporters will need to collect 419,260 valid signatures to qualify for the November, 2000 ballot.

Ros issued a news release announcing the LPC’s support for the initiative, which resulted in an interview with Los Angeles radio station KPFK on September 24. Also on the 24th, Ros appeared for two full hours on Santa Cruz station KSCO with host Dave Alan discussing the party and its positions.

On September 28, Ros spoke to the recently-organized LP of the San Gabriel Valley/East Los Angeles County (R67), detailing the story of the LPC’s lobbying efforts against SB 365, which was defeated last summer. Region 67 Chair George White and wife Rita arranged to videotape Ros’s speech for airing on local cable access.

“I was very impressed with the region and the energy and enthusiasm George and Rita demonstrated,” Ros said. “They are really working hard to grow the region and I’m certain they will be very successful!”

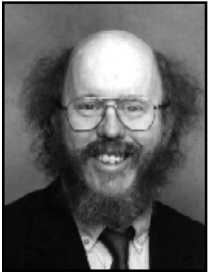
On October 2, Ros flew to Redding and attended a Second Amendment Rally at Anderson River Park. (See photo on page 5). Shasta County LP Chair Dwight Bailey gave a brief speech before introducing Ros, whose speech included frequent use of the word “Libertarian.” Ros then introduced LP candidate for U.S. Senate Gail Lightfoot to complete the Libertarian triple play of speakers at the rally. In addition, the Shasta County and Siskiyou County LP regions manned an information booth and collected signatures for several candidates.

“That was a great event, and the Shasta and Siskiyou groups deserve a lot of credit,” Ros noted. “It was a friendly crowd, so I focused on the principled Libertarian position on guns. I emphasized that Libertarians put the Second Amendment first, and that resonated well with the audience.”

Ros was interviewed at the event by local TV station KRCR, the ABC affiliate, and the nightly news reported the Second Amendment Rally as the lead story that evening.

According to Ros, the recent explosion of Libertarian media activity is not a surprise. “As I said last month, Libertarians are going to be all over the airwaves the next 12 months, so this is just the beginning!”

We’re well on our way towards meeting our 200-candidate goal!



James Bovard

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Nathaniel Branden

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- **Joseph Farah**, editor, WorldNetDaily.com
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- **Richard Rider**, veteran San Diego Libertarian Party activist
- **Dr. Mary Ruwart**, Author, *Healing Our World* and *Short Answers to Tough Questions*
- **Jacob Sullum**, *Reason* magazine senior editor

...and more to be announced!

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