

CLIPboard
Colorado Libertarian Party
Monthly Newsletter - January, 1988

* ----- Calendar ----- *

2nd Wednesday - Cocktail Party. At the Party Office, 720 E. 18th Avenue, Suite 309, in Denver on January 13th at 7:30 pm. It's potluck, so please bring some chips and dip or vegies to munch on.

3rd Wednesday - The Breakfast Club. January 20, 7 to 9 am at the Quality Inn Midtown, 1150 E. Colfax, Denver.
Subject: Politics and the Media. Guest speaker is Miller Hudson, Director of Denver Excise and Licenses, Former Denver Democratic Party Chairman, and Mayoral candidate.

4th Wednesday - CLP Board meeting at the office.

* ----- Notes from Ron Paul - Presidential Candidate ----- *

On the stock market crash - "I'm afraid our leaders will not realize that it is big government and centralized banking that have caused the problem".

On the deficit reduction deal - "It's a case of too little, too late". The first year out of \$30.2 billion still will leave a deficit of more than \$200 billion, while the overall two-year deal represents less than a 3 percent cut in the federal budget.

Ron Paul's action item for December is that you write William F. Buckley of "Firing Line" and ask him when Ron Paul is going to be interviewed. Write to William F. Buckley, Jr., 150 E. 35th St., New York, NY 10016.

* ----- Gaskin Named Ron Paul Campaign Coordinator ----- *

Ken Gaskin, one of our newer members, has agreed to coordinate the Ron Paul for President campaign here in Colorado. His address is 1173 W. 134th Place, Denver, Co 80234. He can be reached at 457-2141.

* ----- Filley's Fillips ----- *

Dwight Filley, longtime libertarian and writer, is stirring up the neighborhood with his column in Life on Capitol Hill, a twice monthly newspaper circulated on Capitol Hill near downtown Denver. His columns frequently promote libertarian solutions to neighborhood problems. Good work, Dwight.

* ----- Mesa County - County Commissioner ----- *

Mesa County Liberty is trying to find a candidate for County Commissioner. If you live in Mesa County and are interested, see the contacts at the back of the CLIPboard.

* ----- Seat Belt Repeal ----- *

Mesa County Liberty is drafting a bill to repeal the seat belt law. Once it has cleared the legislative drafting office, we will have 60 days to get 50,000 signatures to put it on the ballot next November.

* ----- Building Permits ----- *

Paul Ferris built a pre-engineered log home without a building permit in 1980 in Mesa County. 5 Years later, the county decided they wanted him to get a permit. He is refusing based on the principle that he should not have to have permission to live in his own home. The case looks pretty positive because the county denied him an administrative hearing which is guaranteed by law and the statute of limitations is 1 year.

* ----- Thanks to our Members ----- *

Thanks are due to John Williams, Dan Nibbelink, Dave Daniels, and David Aitken for folding, stapling, and labeling last month's CLIPboard.

We'd also like to thank our monthly pledgers for keeping the CLP going.

* ----- Building the Party ----- *

Doug Anderson is spearheading an effort to collect the names and addresses of all libertarians in each of the counties. If you'd like to volunteer to spend 1 hour per month down at the clerk and recorder's office checking the voter registration lists and writing down the libertarian ones, please do so; then send the names and addresses to us. We will be loading them into our computer system for future use. Please call Doug Anderson at 757-8896 in Denver for more information.

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* ----- Aitken State House Race ----- *

David Aitken's campaign organization is beginning to take shape. Bucky Carr will be serving as treasurer, a position he fulfilled during the first attempt. Jan Prince has agreed to serve in an advisory capacity. Sally Mason will be designing his brochure. Aitken reports that over \$400 has been raised so far. \$1100 additional dollars have been pledged.

Elsinore Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45202. For more information, please call her at (513) 381-4177.

* ----- Need to make some money? ----- *

The operation of the 1989 state convention is up for bid. If you'd like to organize and operate this event, be prepared to make a presentation to the 1988 convention in Fort Collins next May. Contact the office for details.

* ----- Board Actions - Membership, English Only Amendment ----- *

The CLP Board of Directors, in its November, 1987 meeting, voted to add an additional membership category in line with current National Party policy. The new category is Non-Contributing Member, which means that no dues are required for this category, but members in this category do not have voting privileges.

The Board also passed a resolution opposing the English Only amendment to the Colorado Constitution which will be on the ballot next November.

* ----- 1988 State Convention ----- *

The state convention, a combined convention for Colorado, Wyoming, and Alaska, will be held May 27, 28, and 29th in Fort Collins. The featured guest is Walter Block, Senior Economist at the Fraser Institute in Vancouver, BC. Ron Paul and Andre Marrou, our Presidential and VP candidates, will be speaking on Saturday afternoon.

It's at the University Park Holiday Inn, 425 W. Prospect Rd., Fort Collins, Co 80526. Rooms are \$44.08 per night. Registration - before 1/15, \$40.00; 1/15 - 4/15, \$55.00; 4/16 - 5/20, \$65.00; 5/20 -, \$75.00.

* ----- Getting to Know You ----- *

If something of interest to the libertarian movement happens in your area, please tell us about it so we can spread the word. We'd like someone in Ft. Collins, Grand Junction, Colorado Springs, and other areas to send us a couple of sentences about what's going on. Deadline for the next month's CLIPboard is the board meeting date, but don't let that stop you - we'll use it the next month if it's late.

* ----- Libertarian Neighborhoods ----- *

If you'd like to help make your neighborhood a Libertarian one, become a precinct captain. Help distribute literature and meet your neighbors. Time requirements are minimal - about two hours per quarter. Call the Party Chairman for details.

* ----- Federal Spending Freeze ----- *

On Monday evening, February 1, 1988, Libertarians for Greater Cincinnati plan to hold a public demonstration urging that Congress support a three year federal spending freeze to cut the budget deficit to support the capital markets. We propose that NATIONWIDE, state and local libertarian groups hold similar demonstrations and gain national media attention for the viability of a freeze and for our presidential candidate Ron Paul.

The above paragraph is the opening from a letter from Sally Anne Moore, Libertarians for Greater Cincinnati, 1240

* ----- Hamburgers!! ----- *

One of the major fundraising efforts of the CLP is our hamburger booth at the People's Fair in Denver. This year the fair is June 6th and 7th. Our profit is usually over \$400 and we need a committed libertarian to organize this fundraising event as well as others to man the booth. This profit will go towards finding new libertarians. Please call the office or the Party Chairman for details.

We will also have an information booth in conjunction with David Aitken's campaign. The People's Fair is our chance to influence over 400,000 people. Please make a commitment today!

Date: January 2, 1988

To: Self-Government Supporters

Subject: Winning an Election

From: David Aitken - State Representative Candidate

Would you like to have a direct and measurable impact on the number of Libertarians in Colorado?

Would you like to have a more abundant, more secure, more harmonious society?

Would you like to get the government off our backs?

Would you like to see us WIN an election?

Remember the number eleven.

Eleven?

That's right, eleven.

You see, that's the number of votes I got for each registered Libertarian in my district. There were 43 registered Libertarians in my district during my last campaign. 460 people voted for me during the election and 460 divided by 43 equals 11.

What that means is this. I need 7152 votes to WIN this election. 7152 divided by 11 is 650 registered Libertarians. There are 40 precincts. 650 divided by 40 is 16 Libertarians in each precinct. That's our goal - to find 16 registered Libertarians in each precinct.

Marshall Fritz says that 30 percent of the people who take the World's Smallest Political Quiz wind up in the Libertarian quadrant. 16 divided by 30 percent (.30) equals 54 registered voters we need to send the quiz to in order to find our 16 registered libertarians. Plus, I'll send them a copy of "Who Is A Libertarian?", an excellent outreach pamphlet, and an invitation to the CLP cocktail party.

And guess what?

It only costs \$11.00 to find those 16 registered Libertarians!

If you don't want to win an election, throw this away.

But if you DO want to win, it's just eleven dollars. That's all.

In order to insure special handling by our dear friends at the Post Office, I've enclosed an envelope with a special stamp on it. Please return your eleven dollar investment to find 16 new libertarians so we can WIN an election! Please do it by the 20th and make it payable to Citizens for David Aitken. Thank you.

Welcome to The Breakfast Club

Open to libertarians, liberals, conservatives, Republicans, Democrats, moderates, atheists, fundamentalists, anarchists, and anyone else we forgot to mention, this lively, once-a-month forum features good people, good fun, and good conversation!

On the third Wednesday of every month, we'll feature political controversy from all corners of the political map! And we'll throw in breakfast, too!

Find out what the movers and shakers have to say - and then challenge them.

What: Politics and the Media, with Miller Hudson, Director of Denver Excise and Licenses, former Denver County Democratic Party Chairman, and former mayoral candidate.

When: Wednesday, January 20, 1987 - 7 to 9 am.

Where: Heart of Denver - Quality Inn, 1150 E. Colfax Ave., Denver.

Admission: \$10.00 - includes breakfast.

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* ----- U.S. Congressional Race ----- *

In order to keep our status as a political organization, we are required by state law to run a candidate for U.S. Congress. Time requirements, except for petitioning, can be as much or as little as you'd like. If interested, please call the office.

* ----- Notes from the Chair ----- *

I am proud to announce the beginning of something I hope will be an exciting endeavor for us all. As stated by the enclosed flyer, with the formation of the Breakfast Club, we hope to stimulate exciting, thought-provoking, and yes, sometimes controversial talk. (As well as good fun and good food!) Let me quickly list some of the things we hope to accomplish through this:

1. We, as Libertarians, will have another opportunity to meet! It seems as if we usually manage to have fun when we get together.
2. To influence policy. The Breakfast Club will be inviting many non-libertarians to speak. By inviting many of the "movers and shakers" of this state and by letting them hear our perspective on the issues of the day, hopefully, we can begin to turn them more towards a less-government, pro-freedom viewpoint. Successes by groups such as Hispanics of Colorado and the Republican Pro-Denver has shown it can be done.
3. To draw new members. Again, many other groups have been very successful in drawing newcomers by sponsoring similar type events.

So...bring a friend!

1987 Was a very good year for the Libertarian Party. Many thanks to all who made it possible. Doug Anderson, David Aitken, Bill Fargo, Jan Prince, Penn Pfiffner, Mary Margaret, Bob and Betty Hurt, Dwight Filley, and last but definitely not least, our pledgers. Stick around, we ain't seen nuthin yet!!

* ----- Conan the Libertarian ----- *

The caricature below is a rendition of a libertarian by Scott Lanning, son of Irma Lanning, Communications Chairman. While only 17 years old, the role of today's libertarian is obvious to him - the last of the individuals fighting a barbarian mentality; mass societal think. Because the great collective mind holds no philosophy based on irreducible primaries such as property rights, it regresses to a state of barbarism. That is to take and plunder from the producers arbitrarily, to give to the non-producers. The great collective is, after all, not all that far removed from the looting, brute force of the barbarian of old. He does it not with an ax, but under the auspices of a "democratic government" that redistributes the wealth to the needy. From those that have. To those that need.

Perhaps "Conan the Libertarian", while he carries an attache case and attempts to function in a "civilized" world, is actually the last of the individuals waging a war of morality by attempting to protect human rights, against a primitive culture disguised as altruistic.

What is needed is not the tools of force, but of persuasion, of mass communication. Be not the silent majority, but the vocal minority. John Nesbitt said in Megatrends that Proposition 13 was not a tax movement, but one of the strongest statements of grass roots - lateral communications. Bottom up communications of the people to the government. Voice your opinion, object to the immoralities you observe; tell it to the local media. Display the strength and courage of "Conan the Libertarian".



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* ----- Voter Registration ----- *

In Colorado, you can register to vote as a Libertarian.
Doing so helps promote the libertarian movement
by letting elected officials know there's an alternative.
Call the Election official in your county for details.

* ----- Party Officers and Contacts ----- *

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