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Saturday

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12:30 PM
Luncheon
2:00 PM
Speakers/Workshops
7:00 PM
Dinner & Dance

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**CHILD "PROTECTION" AGENCIES
WAGE WAR ON FAMILIES**

There is a silent "war on families" that is being waged by child protection agencies. Families are being devastated, children being taken from families on the most absurd charges (false and un-investigated reports of abuse, absurd charges like isolation due to homeschooling, or practicing alternative medicine, cluttered house, cuts or other wounds from normal child's play etc. and other things), and in most cases no matter how many hoops the parents jump through or programs they complete to satisfy the agency, they are unlikely to see their children again, let alone get them back.

In talking with families, there is an atmosphere of fear that we - meaning families - are living in. It is relatively easy for social workers to take children on the most absurd charges - they have the power to do so and they routinely lie, fabricate "evidence," violate laws, deny parents their rights and threaten families - as a matter of course. Sometimes they threaten the very children they are supposedly protecting. Most families make it real easy by simply cooperating, thinking since they didn't hurt their children, the truth will come out and they will get their children back. It rarely happens that way.

Children are raised in the foster care system, or adopted out, when they should never have been taken from their families in the first place, or could have been returned after all the demands on parents were met by them. Children are told by child protection workers that their families don't love them or want them as a way of breaking the familial bond. Most children live in 5 - 30 foster homes during the time they spend in foster care.

Most families are devastated after the child protection wrecking ball moves through the family - parents sometimes end up divorcing, suffer health problems, have high attorney bills, mortgage their house to pay legal bills, and many file for bankruptcy. Some consider suicide after losing their children.

You are probably accustomed to the usual headline-grabbers about abused children. But did you know the federal government and each state pays child protection agencies for children in the system? The longer the children stay in the system, the longer the agency gets money. And, social workers are the determinants of what is child abuse and what isn't. To add insult to injury, families are routinely billed thousands of dollars for the time their children were in foster care. Their assets are attached or wages garnished to pay the bill. So foster care agencies collect from the federal government, state government and the parents for destroying the lives of children.

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ANTI-LAND GRABBING FLYERS

The American Land Rights Association now has a neat new poster/flier for getting the "NO on CARA" point across. For those who don't know, CARA is the Conservation And Reinvestment Act. CARA will eventually be using millions, then billions to buy private property and add it to the local, state and federal government forest and park systems.

This flyer should be printed out, then fill in your name and information at the bottom and FAX to your Senators and Reps in Congress. When I faxed mine I cut off the part at the bottom that says to FAX to your Senators, etc.

The flyer is available on their website at <http://www.landrights.org/>. Look for the NO CARA Poster link. It's in PDF format.

Fred Mangels, freddym@wcinet.net

Some children die in foster care. Some children who never experienced sexual or physical abuse in the homes from which they were taken, routinely experience those abuses in foster care.

Families quake in their boots at the mere mention of child protection services. Many people would never speak out about child protection agencies openly, they speak in whispers or in the privacy of their homes. They fear the retaliation of having their children taken from them again, so they lick their wounds in silence.

The following sites will provide an eye-popping revelation on how we all unknowingly participate in and fund the trafficking of children under the banner of "child protection."

Beware the Child Protectors

<http://www.nationaloutrage.org/article06.html>

The National Outrage of Stealing Our Children for Money: <http://www.nationaloutrage.org/>

Adoption Bonuses: The Money Behind The Madness: <http://www.massnews.com/mayds4.htm>

The following books researched and documented the horrors of the war against families.

Wounded Innocents: The Real Victims of the War Against Child Abuse - Richard Wexler.

Snow Falling on Cedars: The Child Abuse Industry - Mary Pride.

Out of Control: Who's Watching Our Child Protection Agencies - Brenda Scott.

Ashes to Ashes, Families to Dust: False Accusations of Child Abuse - A Roadmap for Survivors - Dean Tong.

Profane Justice: A Comprehensive Guide to Asserting Your Parental Rights - Susanne Shell.
"Althea Haas" Pseudonym

LIBERTARIAN PARTY UPDATES



MARK HINKLE

From the Chair:

We, as a Party, set two main internal goals this year:

1. Increase our dues-paying membership to 7,000
2. Increase our monthly pledge base to \$6,000 per month.

Goal 1: The September LPC membership was 6097. Another December has arrived without achieving our goal of 7,000 dues paying members. In retrospect, the LPC probably shouldn't have set our goals so high. However, the reason for setting that goal hasn't changed. That is, if we're to change the course of the future,

either by replacing one of the older parties or simply joining their ranks, it's going to require a much larger organization than we have today. So, job one has to be membership growth.

Goal 2: The October monthly pledge base was \$5,432.15. This includes funds passed through to the local regions. The latest numbers show 242 individuals pledging \$5,518.31 per month. We're getting very close to our goal of \$6,000 per month. While you're in the holiday gift-giving frenzy, please consider a modest investment in your future and the future of your country.

Thanks to 305 candidacies, a lot of volunteers, lots of money, professional paid staff, some good ideas, and a little luck, we managed to elect 14 libertarians to local office this year. We haven't figured out all of the answers, but we do know how to win. The key to our future is to continue to demonstrate that we can repeat these successes. I am confident that a track record of wins will make our progress easier, although by no means easy.

As I do every month, in one form or another, I ask you how fast do you want us to succeed? We may not be a well-oiled machine or as precise as a Swiss watch, but we do know how to get the job done. How fast we get the job done is a matter of the resources at hand. Those resources come voluntarily from you.

Even though today we have a full time Executive Director, part time assistant, two part time contractors, an office, a budget of \$305,000, 6,052 dues paying members, 94,538 registered libertarians, and media coverage over 1,600 times so far this year, it's not enough.

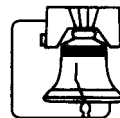
We're dealing with numbers in the thousands, while Republicans and Democrats number in the millions. So like the 98-pound weakling on the beach, if we're going to flex our muscles, we're going to have to grow some. The most successful way we've found so far is with money. Everything we do, gets better, stronger, smarter, and more effective with more funds.

Please join the monthly credit card pledge program. An investment in the Libertarian Party is bet for a freer, more prosperous future.

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Yours in liberty, Mark W. A. Hinkle

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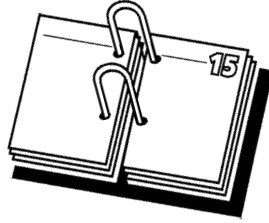
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YEAR 2001

FEBRUARY 16-19

LPC Convention, Doubletree Hotel, San Jose. Presenters include Harry Browne, Mary Ruwart, Richard Winger, John Hospers among others. Contact: Cullene Lang (916) 362-0855, E-mail: cullene@aol.com. Information and registration at: <http://www.ca.lp.org/conv/2001/>

MARCH 15-18

Reason Weekend 2001. Loews Miami Beach Hotel, Florida. Sponsored by the Reason Foundation. Contact: Amber Trudgeon (310) 391-2245, ambert@reason.org.

JULY 1-5

Bastiat's Odyssey. The 20th annual world conference of the International Society for Individual Liberty. Co-sponsored by Libertarian International and organized by Le Cercle Frédéric Bastiat. In Dax France. Celebrating the 200th anniversary of his birth. Information and registration at <http://www.bastiat.net>

AUGUST 25-26

Regional Conference. Third Annual Conference of the Regional Parties, in Fresno. Contact Rodney Austin.

Notice to LP Chairs: Please E-mail your events to CALIFLIB@aol.com

IMPORTANT CONVENTION INFO

The **2001 California Convention** is coming February 16 through 19. If you are interested in being a delegate to this convention, please notify your regional chair *immediately*.

Your county gets one delegate for each HALF percent of statewide membership. This is TWICE as many delegates as in the past. Your Region Chair, who is an automatic delegate, may pick someone to take his/her place in case the Chair cannot make the convention.

Each region is allowed to send one delegate to the Platform Committee. That committee generally meets the day before the convention starts. All committee members MUST be selected 30 days prior to the convention. In the past this committee has been under-represented.

Bylaws Committee will be appointed at the December Executive Committee Meeting.

A copy of the convention Agenda, LPC Bylaws, and LPC Platform are posted on my "Secretary's Corner" web page at:

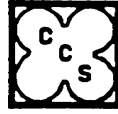
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JUAN ROS

NO BREAK EVEN AS ELECTION ENDS

Election Night and the days following were hectic for LPC Executive Director Juan Ros —but extremely rewarding, given the outcome.

“On Tuesday night [Election Night] I stayed in the office until about 1:30 in the morning,” Ros said, “not only because I was watching the dramatic turns the presidential election was taking, but also because we had so many candidates for which to keep checking results!”

Around midnight Ros received a call from AdrenalineRadio.com and was interviewed on the air for about 15 minutes, commenting on the election.

When Ros returned to the LPC office in the morning he was pleased to see that seven Libertarians had won their races. He immediately issued a news release touting the wins, as well as the fact that Harry Browne outpolled Pat Buchanan in California.

Ros also issued a news release praising the passage of Proposition 36, which will divert nonviolent drug offenders to treatment instead of prison. The Libertarian Party of California had endorsed Prop. 36.

“It’s important to keep reminding voters that the failed War on Drugs continues,” Ros noted. “When there is a set-back in this insane war (such as Prop. 36), it behooves Libertarians to praise it.”

But even though November 7 has come and gone, Ros is not taking any breaks — he’s looking ahead and planning for the next few years of the LPC.

“Now is the time for Libertarians to regroup, assess our successes and mistakes, and begin planning and preparing for the future,” Ros said.

Among Ros’s plans for 2001:

- An expanded version of Operation Breakthrough, the LPC’s successful candidate recruitment program. “It depends on how many counties are holding special district elections in 2001; that’s what will determine whether or not we’ll do a full recruitment effort or hold off until 2002. But whatever is decided, we will continue our focus on running as many non-partisan local candidates as possible, and making sure those candidates have the support they need to run strong campaigns — and hopefully win!”
- An aggressive membership growth program. “I think we can take what we learned with Operation Breakthrough and use a similar procedure to sell membership,” Ros said. Although such a plan would require the approval of the state executive committee and the appropriation of necessary funds, Ros thinks the effort would be worth it. “If we used a professional telemarketing company to call as many registered Libertarians as we can afford to, I think we can convert a substantial percentage of those registered Libertarians into dues-paying members,” Ros explained, “and perhaps reach as many as 10,000 members in California!”
- Continued media outreach, including Spanish translations of all news releases. “With (Administrative Assistant) Alex on

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MONTHLY PLEDGE WATCH

November Pledges: \$5,188.81 • Goal: \$6,000 per month

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board, we have the resources to quickly translate each release into Spanish. Hopefully we can make some inroads with Spanish-language media in advance of 2002,” Ros said.

- Activating official Libertarian Party local organizations in all 58 counties. At present only one county — Kings — does not have an LP contact, and a handful of other counties are in the early stages of organizing. “By 2002 we should have LP organizations everywhere in California so that voters can find us no matter where they live,” Ros pointed out.

“2001 is going to be a year of continued building for the LPC,” Ros concluded. “We have made tremendous progress these last few years — California Libertarians should be very proud and very hopeful of what the future holds!”



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The **Meals Package** includes meal events only:

\$225

The **Speakers Package** includes all speakers:

\$150

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ELECTION RESULTS

Browne outpolls Buchanan in California, Three Races Very Close SEVEN LIBERTARIANS ELECTED TO OFFICE!

Seven Libertarians have been elected to non-partisan office in California, while presidential candidate Harry Browne has outpollled Patrick Buchanan despite Buchanan spending considerable money on radio and TV ads in the Golden State.

The seven wins by Libertarians brings to 14 the number of California Libertarians elected or re-elected in 2000, including one win in the primary and six other Libertarians whose non-partisan elections were uncontested. **An estimated 51 Libertarians now hold elected or appointed office in California.**

“We are very pleased with our results and are proud of all 305 Libertarians who appeared on the California ballot this year,” declared Libertarian state chair Mark Hinkle. “We ran more candidates than all other third parties combined, our candidates got the message out, and we worked hard to make sure voters knew that only the Libertarian Party will fight to dramatically reduce the power and presence of government in their lives.”

The seven Libertarians elected to office are:

- In Kern County, **Teri Kahn** was elected to a two-year term as Director of the Tehachapi Valley Health Care District with 55.5% of the vote
- In Placer County, **Erik Henrikson** defeated fellow Libertarian Tom Murphy in a two-way race, replacing retiring Libertarian Dennis Schlumpf to become the next director of Seat 4 of the Tahoe City Public Utility District
- In Sacramento County, **Joseph Corey** swept past incumbent E. Ramona H. Krewson to win one of three director seats on the Galt Fire Protection District
- Also in Sacramento County, **Michael McFarland** won a seat on the Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District
- In San Diego County, **Linda Strom** won one of eight positions on the Lakeside Community Planning Area board, while **Robert R. Mendez** beat incumbent Richard L. Vasquez in Division 2 of the Vista Irrigation District
- In Santa Barbara County, **Greg D. Flores** surprised his better-known opponents to win the Division 1 seat of the Santa Maria Water Conservation District.

Also in California, Libertarian Party presidential candidate **Harry Browne** received 44,272 votes to Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan’s 43,751.

At press time three other races with Libertarian candidates were extremely close — all with margins of less than 45 votes — with several hundred thousand absentee ballots remaining to be counted statewide. County elections officials have until December 5 to count any remaining ballots and certify the results.

- In the closest race, Libertarian **Kate O’Brien** has pulled to within fourteen votes of her nearest opponent in the hotly contested race for three director positions on the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District in Ventura County. O’Brien has received 16,610 votes to opponent Jim Dantona’s 16,624 as of November 15.
- In Contra Costa County, Libertarian **Barbara Kowall** needs 36 votes to catch up to her nearest opponent in the Rodeo Sanitary District race.
- In Orange County, Libertarian **Neal Franks** is 43 votes away from his nearest opponent in the Sunset Beach Sanitary District race.

In another race, Libertarian **Donald Osberg** was edged out in a hard-fought race for the Upland City Council in San Bernardino County. Osberg — who spent over \$30,000 of his own money on the campaign and was assisted by Libertarian campaign manager/Executive Committee representative Aaron Starr, LPC Secretary Sandi Webb, and others — came in second in a field of five candidates. He received 30.8% of the vote, to winner Kenneth Willis’s 33.4%.

“Libertarians have reason to celebrate this year. We expect the Libertarian Party to continue growing, and we plan to compete in and win more races in coming years,” Hinkle concluded.

US ELECTION STATISTICS

Nationwide, more than three million people voted for a Libertarian candidate. More than one million voted for a Libertarian for U.S. Senate, and about 1.7 million voted for a Libertarian for U.S. House.

For a state-by-state breakdown, see <http://archive.lp.org/er/current-tvoters.html>

Tables for US Senate, US House, State Senate, and State Assembly, showing comparison of this year’s Libertarian percentages to those from prior years district by district, are available at:

<http://www.ca.lp.org/lpc-hist-elections.html>

Joe Dehn, jwd3@dehnbase.org

CA CONGRESSIONAL RACES

1. Number of Libertarian congressional candidates: 45
2. Two candidates garnered second place.
3. 31 candidates garnered third place.
4. 11 candidates garnered fourth place.
5. One candidate garnered fifth place.
6. Average percentage of vote totals: 3.51%
7. Best percentage: 15.79%
8. Worst percentage: 0.82%
9. Highest vote total: 27,543 (Bill Reed: 15.71% — second place)

You can find totals and percentages at:

<http://archive.lp.org/er/ca-ush.html>

Gene Trosper, Campaign Manager,

Bill Reed for Congress

LP WINS & LOSES ON PROPS

On left are the recommendations of the Executive Committee of the LPC. On the right are the result of the vote.

- NO YES Prop. 32:
Veteran's Bond Act of 2000.
- NO NO Prop. 33:
Legislature: Retirement.
- NO YES Prop. 34: Campaign
Contributions/Expenditures.
- YES YES Prop. 35:
Use of Private Contractors.
- YES YES Prop. 36: Drug Treatment
Diversion Program.
- YES NO Prop. 37: Fees, Taxes. Vote
Requirements.
- YES NO Prop. 38: School Vouchers.
- NO YES Prop. 39: School Facilities.

AROUND THE WORLD

POLITICS AS USUAL

Afternoon Sports Banned in Afghanistan

Afghanistan's ruling Taliban Islamic movement ordered a ban on all sports played in late afternoon and early evening because they could disturb Muslim prayers, the official Taliban radio said.

Reuters, October 18, 2000

No Rude Gestures to Traffic Cameras

German motorists have been told to stop making rude gestures at traffic cameras or they could be charged with offending the police. A Bavarian court has ruled that a driver who held up his middle finger while passing a traffic camera was addressing police officers rather than the equipment itself. Germany is renowned for having no speed restrictions on many of its motorways but rigorously enforces limits on other roads, often with the help of speed monitoring equipment.

Reuters, October 13, 2000

Tweety Bird Violates Weapons Policy

A sixth grader was suspended for possession of a Tweety Bird wallet that violated a school weapons policy. Ashley Smith, an 11-year-old girl in Atlanta, Georgia, was suspended for two weeks after school officials noticed her wallet, which bore an image of the yellow bird-like cartoon character, was attached to a 10-inch key chain. The county school district has banned chains as part of a zero-tolerance weapons policy that places the items in the same category as pellet guns, ice picks and swords.

Reuters, September 28, 2000

EITC is 25% Fraudulent

The Earned Income Tax Credit program for the working poor lost \$7.8 billion because of fraud and errors in 1997 — one-quarter of the claims made that year, the Treasury Department reported.

Associated Press, October 22, 2000

SWAT Invasion Kills

Alberto Sepulveda was an 11-year-old who was shot and killed by a SWAT team member during an early morning drug raid on his parents' Modesto home in September. The killing highlights a troubling trend in law enforcement: stealth raids on the homes of sleeping citizens by heavily-armed government agents.

Los Angeles Times, September 22, 2000

Live And Let Live Sentiment Thrives In Denmark!

Central Copenhagen's hippie colony, Christiania, intends to cling firmly to its own local currency regardless of the outcome of Denmark's referendum on joining the euro. Christiania, a 30-hectare, former military compound bordering a picturesque moated area in downtown Copenhagen, was occupied by hippie squatters in 1971 and declared an autonomous "free city" and alternative society. After years of debate, the Danish government finally dropped threats to repossess the area. The loen (meaning pay) was introduced in 1998 backed by financial guarantees from foreign banks. Although meant solely for internal use inside the territory, the currency generates profits from sales to tourists. The loen coin, featuring a snail on one side to reflect the pace of life at the colony and a woman's head on the other, bears the motto "Live and let live." One of the most popular tourist attractions in the capital, Christiania, with its population of about 1,000, is visited by some 500,000 people a year — many coming to buy marijuana on the infamous "Pusher Street."

Reuters, September 26, 2000

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<http://www.nationaloutrage.org/>

<http://www.nationaloutrage.org/article06.html>

<http://www.massnews.com/mayds4.htm>

DRUG WAR CLOCK

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ELECTION STATISTICS

<http://www.ca.lp.org/lpc-hist-elections.html>

<http://archive.lp.org/er/>

GET GOVERNMENT OUT OF HI-TECH

<http://www.techleadership.org>

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Excerpts from a Kubby Defense Fund letter:

Thanks to your support, we are sending a message to law enforcement: "Don't Tread On Us!"

Our fight on the frontlines of medical marijuana is bringing the media spotlight to medical cannabis. Because you supported us, we've been able to create a high-profile test case that is very appealing to the media. One thing is for sure, no other trial has ever received this kind of positive and extensive support by print and broadcast journalists.

This is a first for our cause, because now the media is chasing after us, instead of us chasing the media. We've created something that is finally allowing the public to see how the drug war has corrupted our police and prosecutors. And we are showing other victims of this war on sick people how we can fight back to defend our rights and human dignity.

Not only are we making history with the media, but in the courtroom as well. With your financial help, our defense team is breaking new ground, by exposing the dishonest tactics of narcs and prosecutors. In drug cases, when the prosecution puts on its case, their primary source of witnesses come from law enforcement. This is where the police state really gets its teeth.

What makes law enforcement so effective in the courtroom is that their testimony can't be cross-examined adequately. They base all of their opinions on their "experience and training," as well as hearsay evidence. These police experts know it is very difficult to cross-examine them or the evidence they use to formulate their opinions - even if none of their testimony is based on science or even what their training manuals tell them.

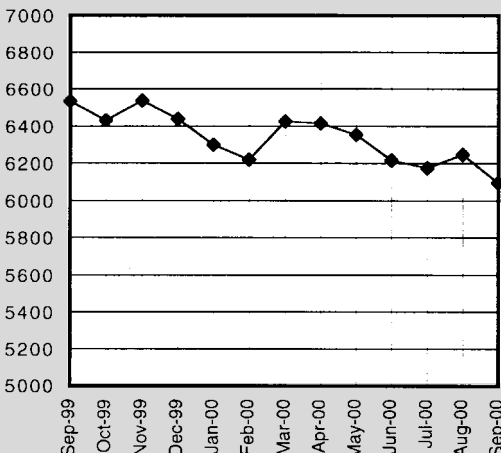
The shocking truth is that none of the drug warriors we've encountered have ever been challenged in court. These "experts" have been exposed and will never be so effective again.

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