Convention Organizers Release Preview Of Speakers, Workshops, Scheduled Events

Columnist Joseph Sobran and philanthropist Richard Dennis will discuss their journeys from conservative to libertarian and from liberal to libertarian, respectively, in what is sure to be among the highlights of the LP's 1991 national convention, to be held August 29-September 1 in Chicago.

Sobran writes a nationally-syndicated weekly column, which has exhibited increasingly-libertarian views in recent months. His strong stand against U.S. involvement in the Gulf War pointed out the growing distance between himself and the conservative movement and won him new respect from libertarians.

Dennis, philanthropist and former commodities broker, has been a major contributor to several libertarian causes, including drug legalization.

These speakers should be of particular interest to C-SPAN viewers.

A number of other prominent speakers are lined up for the convention, including Karl Hess, Nadine Strossen, Mark Skousen, Jim Tobin, Michael Grossberg, David Nolan, Joe Bast, Nick Youngers, Carol Ann Rand, Dan Polsby, Red Beckman, Lou Schimmel, and Jarret Wollstein.

Panels or workshops are planned on the issues of education, initiatives, party building, Fully Informed Jury Amendment, privatization, drug legalization, campus activism, ballot access, fundraising, and cable television.

Convention business highlights include presidential nominations at 1pm Saturday, National Committee meetings on Wednesday (prior to official opening of convention) and Sunday (with the newly-elected NatCom), and meetings of the Platform Committee Tuesday and Wednesday prior to the convention. A debate of the presidential candidates will be held Friday at 4:30pm.

Many special events are also planned. Thursday night offers a "Taste of Chicago," featuring Chicago-style pizza, hot dogs, and the Second City Touring Company. Two Chicago tours will be offered Friday night, each stopping at the Lakefront Jazz Festival. The Presidential Banquet will highlight Saturday night, and those still around on Sunday night are invited to the Diehard Libertarian Dinner.

For more information on the convention, call (708) 475-0391.

Note: All speakers and events are subject to change.
IRS insists new parents take a number to stop tax cheats

By Jolla Denthier
The Wyoming Libertarian Party has begun the herculean task of seeking ballot spots in western Wyoming for its five candidates running for state offices.

The Libertarians to attempt conversion.

Seek Ballot Spot

Craig McCune went up against Craig Thomas and John Vinich two years ago. This year, McCune will be running against Thomas and Vinich in the 2nd District of the Wyoming House of Representatives.

The drive began a few weeks ago in Cheyenne, and will continue in Casper, both in the 2nd District of the Wyoming House of Representatives.

McCune said he wants to run for public office and to make a difference.

"It really is a very expensive time-consuming process," he said.

The Libertarian Party is a political party in the United States that was founded in 1971. The party advocates for a smaller government and less regulation. They promote individual freedom and oppose government intervention in business. The Libertarian Party has been active in Wyoming since the 1970s, and has had several candidates running for state offices in recent years.
Cops hold onto package of ‘sterilized’ marijuana seeds

By Hunter Bishop
Tribune-Herald

A pair of Big Island hemp advocates are currently under police investigation for importing what they claim are sterilized marijuana seeds.

Police seized a package containing 25 pounds of the seeds at the Hilo Federal Express Office last week after drug-sniffing dogs told investigators that an illegal substance was inside a parcel addressed to two suspects.

Aaron Anderson, 53, the Libertarian party candidate for Hawaii County mayor in November, and Roger Christie, 41, have had ordered the seeds from a North Dakota firm.

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The fibers used to make much-needed rope and other products that were no longer available from Asia. The U.S.-based firm Kimberly Clark Corp. has acknowledged that it currently harvests hemp in France to make paper for bibles and cigarettes, according to a feature story on hemp recently published in the Wall Street Journal.

Christie and Anderson make no bones about also wanting to make the psycho-active parts of the marijuana plant — its flowers and leaves — legal for personal use. In Hawaii, a concentrated effort by federal, state and county law enforcement agencies have substantially cut the number of marijuana plants that are found and destroyed on eradication missions.

Mayor Lorraine Noguey said she wasn’t aware of plans to exhibit hemp seeds at the agriculture conference and said that hemp has no place in her plan to develop diversified agriculture on the Big Island.

Christie wears clothing made of 55 percent hemp fiber and presents a hemp denim shirt made from hemp to Gov. John Waihee on Tuesday in Hilo. “You can smoke it if you want,” asked a surprised Waihee. Told the shirt contains little or none of the marijuana’s active ingredient, he added, “I don’t think it will change my mind” about marijuana.

Let’s hear more about third-party candidates

ONCE AGAIN it is election season and time for candidates to sharpen their political and economic skills to compete to become the next president of the United States. Yet again we are confronted with the same boring and traditional solutions to traditional problems by our two dictatorial political parties, the Democrats and Republicans.

We practically never hear from other political parties who always run members for president. These other political parties, like the Libertarians, Independence, New Alliance, etc., may run candidates for president, but the media tend not to cover their platforms, strategies and criticisms of the two-party government.

Maybe the media never cover these parties because they are not generally uniform and saturated with Democratic and Republican propaganda and membership, and therefore biased in their reporting. The media simply service the major parties and no others. The media are slaves to these two powers that be, leaving the general public uninformed, ignorant and hopeless.

Letters

Competition needed

Editor:

It seems some folks in Farmington are upset with the prospect of higher rates for garbage collection. Since I live outside the city limits and am not yet forced to "privatize" our garbage service, I have no opinion on the price or quality of their product.

However, I do have an opinion about free enterprise. When the City Council "procured" sanitation service in Farmington, they merely replaced a government owned monopoly with a government franchised and protected monopoly. The profit motive alone is not enough to maximize the benefits of the free market system. Competition is also needed.

Look at the current system. Don’t like the service? Tough. Don’t like the cost? Too bad. Want to make your own arrangements for your garbage? Sure. As long as you pay the monopoly.

Why not let all residents make their own decisions regarding who hauls their garbage? There are plenty of unemployed people with pickups and trucks who would welcome the opportunity of a free market. The competition would exert an upward pressure on quality and a downward pressure on prices.

Those who profit from the government protected monopoly will surely oppose a free market approach, but everyone else would benefit. Are we Libertarians the only ones who still understand what free enterprise is really about and how it works?

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