C-SPAN Gives LP Redoubled Commitment
For Coverage of 1991 National Convention

C-SPAN, cable television’s public access network, has greatly increased its commitment to full coverage of the LP national convention, to be held in Chicago, August 28-September 1.

In recent meetings with Libertarian Party officials, C-SPAN has said that its 1991 convention coverage will go far beyond its coverage of the 1989 LP convention in Philadelphia. C-SPAN coverage of the Philadelphia convention is credited with bringing the LP over 1800 phone calls and over 1400 prospect names and addresses.

C-SPAN officials have said they plan to move their entire operation to Chicago for the convention week, building the week’s programming around the convention. The network has already reserved 12-15 rooms, and a large suite to turn into a mini-studio for interviews. This compares to the two rooms they booked for the Philadelphia convention.

In addition to covering convention business sessions, panels and speakers, C-SPAN will be putting together talk shows for evening broadcast from Chicago, taking advantage of available Libertarian speakers and VIPs from the libertarian movement.

Nancy Lord Appears on CNN
To Defend First Amendment

Nancy Lord, 1990 LP candidate for Mayor of Washington, D.C., appeared on "Crier & Co." on CNN in late April to discuss the legal principles of the Stuart Reges case, in which the federal government is attempting to pressure Stanford University into firing the professor for his statements admitting personal drug use and calling it a positive experience.

Lord, a practicing attorney, appeared on the talk show with a congresswoman and a representative of an anti-drug-abuse group.

Lord said there is no evidence that Reges ever used or possessed drugs, even if you accept drug laws as legitimate, and that using his public statements against him is "a gross violation of the first amendment, and the government is asking Stanford to be its agent."

Lord also stated that it was unfortunate that universities are receiving federal money in the first place, which is then used by the government to exert control.
Libertarians plan strategy, goals

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Richard Boddie and Andre Marrou, competitors for the Libertarian party's presidential nomination, answered questions posed by a panel of journalists in the Newcomb Hall South Meeting Room last week.

Gov't. and Foreign Affairs Prof. Larry Slapko moderated the panel, which included the candidates saying a benefit of third parties is their consideration of issues often ignored by the two-party system.

Libertarian presidential candidates express views

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Both candidates also said they are pro-choice, although Marrou outlined ways of decreasing the number of abortions "through non-political means" such as making adoption easier, legalizing the use of contraception, changing prescription drug costs, and transferring feebies from womb to womb.

According to the Parishian Gulf War, Marrou said, "This was primarily done, in my opinion, to get the anti-war syndicate on board. . . . We should not have been there." Boddie also said if he were president, the War would not have happened.

In Boddie's opening statement, he defined a Libertarian as "a person who is morally opposed to the initiation of coercion and who believes in a minimum state role in society."

“There is no alternative to the R & D party,” Boddie said. He placed Republicans and Democrats in the same category because there is no difference between them, he said.

"Government is not the problem, it is force," Marrou said. "Our duty is to throw off all the lies." He quoted the words of Thomas Jefferson.

The candidates were asked if they had ever used cocaine or marijuana, and whether that was a proper question for presidential candidates to answer. While both Marrou and Boddie said they had tried marijuana, they said it was not a proper question for presidential candidates to answer.

"Drugs should be a matter of personal choice," Marrou said. He said later he was in favor of legalization of drugs, and compared the progress of the war against drugs to the Vietnam syndrome.

Both candidates said they are against taxes. "We should get rid of the IRS and the income tax," Marrou said.

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Libertarian candidates share views

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Libertarian party presidential candidates Andre Marrou and Dick Boddie spoke last night in a forum billed as "The Libertarian Alternative: An Examination of the Candidates." Marrou, who served one term in the Alaska House of Representatives following his election in 1984, traveled to all 50 states in 1986 as the Libertarian vice presidential candidate.

Boddie, an attorney with a law degree from Syracuse University, is his current opponent for the presidential nomination.

Professor Larry Sabato moderated the event. "We ought to be interested in third parties," he commented. "There is an alternative to the R&D party," Boddie said.

Each candidate gave a two-minute opening address. Then both explained their philosophical views on the role of the government during two rounds of questions posed by a panel of journalists.

According to the party platform, "all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner they choose."

The two candidates responded to their first question in a similar manner. When asked if either had smoked marijuana or cocaine, Marrou said that "we feel that drugs are a matter of personal choice." "I own my body," Boddie said. He added that as an undergraduate at Bucknell, he had smoked pot "in a DU [fraternity] house."

Sabato asked each candidate to express his feelings concerning the recent drug raids of Delta Upsilon, Phi Epsilon and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternities.

"These people have nothing else better to do," Boddie said of the Drug Enforcement Agents.

He added that "government should not intervene" in the private lives of its citizens and that he would be happy to "stand on the steps" of the DU fraternity house to express his opposition to government intervention.

Boddie and Marrou expressed similar views on the issue of government taxation, environmental protection and foreign diplomacy. Also, both Boddie and Marrou agreed that the American educational system should be privatized.

By the end of the forum, the major difference Boddie cited between himself and his Libertarian opponent, Marrou, was that "I'm a black man who's a Libertarian and that's news." He also said that he would not accept national funds for his campaign.

Marrou, however, said, "I am pro-television; my opponent is not. I am pro-matching funds — to fight the federal government." He added that "I am pro-choice" and Boddie is pro-life.

Marrou said that in order to reduce abortion without government intervention, he would make adoption "a lot easier." He said that he would lift the FDA's restriction of the "morning after" pill.