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ANNOUNCEMENT: Effective with the next issue of VIRGINIA LIBERTARIAN, we will be converting to a tabloid newspaper format, 16 pages, which will allow much more space for informative news articles and discussion of Libertarianism, photos of events, and much more. The first tabloid is expected out in early August, and will be produced every 2-3 months, as finances and time permit. In between the large issues, as has been suggested by many LP members around the state, we will keep you informed with monthly Bulletins like the one in your hand. MULTIPLE COPIES of the tabloid are available in bulk. Orders for the first issue must be received by July 15th. Cost for bulk copies for local Libertarian distribution are:

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n in Richmond April 16 and 17 are: NEW LPVA OFFICERS elected at the State Jim Elwood, Chairman, of Richmond; Henry Thrasher, Vice-Chairman, of Chesapeake; Scott Bowden, Secretary, of Pimmit Hills; and Paul Hite, Treasurer, of Falls Church. Chairman Elwood has stated that his general goals for 1983 will be to recruit 1,000 new LPVA members by year's end; to form 5 new groups in key towns; to run 6-10 candidates for the General Assembly or local offices; and to set up a permanent state headquarters with a computer system and a full-time executive director. Elwood suggested that each local group should complete one fundraiser per month and one membership-oriented project per month. Suggested fundraising projects were yard sales, bake sales, and fair concessions as a few examples of projects that will raise money and help publicize the LP. \*\*\*\*\*\*

THE ARLINGTON LP HAS A CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF. Independent candidate John Baber received the Libertarian endorsement in his bid for Sheriff against incumbent one-term Sheriff Jim Gondles. Gondles has been criticized by the media ever since taking office for his abuses of civil liberties in the County Jail, including strip-searches of people arrested for trivial offenses. Baber, a 17-year veteran police officer, was also endorsed by the Republicans and several local civic organizations, and has been waging an active campaign.

THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE WILL NOT MEET IN JULY. The next SCC meeting has been set for Sunday, August 7 at 1 p.m., at 824 W. Broad Street, Richmond. \*\*\*\*\*\*

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DOUG SKELTON WILL RUN FOR CONGRESS IN SECOND DISTRICT. Skelton, of Virginia Beach, has already formed a campaign committee and begun fundraising activities for his bid against G. William Whitehurst in a two-way race next year. Contact Alvin Anders (804) 625-5068. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

FIFTH DISTRICT COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING WAS HELD JUNE 18. Chairman Will Clark has called for support from Eastern and Northern section of 5th District (which includes 17 counties). So far, the Committee is only represented by Henry and Patrick Counties. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, July 16 at Shoney's Restaurant on Commonwealth Blvd. off Route 220 between Collinsville and Martinsville. Contact Will Clark at (703) 694-7089.

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FAIRFAX COUNTY COMMITTEE is now being formed under the leadership of Rick Lutyk. Contact Rick at (703) 273-2869.

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SIXTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN THOMAS R. CARWILE was a guest on WLGM Radio in Lynchburg in March. Two days later, Kathy and Bill Woolsey were WLGM guests. Kathy, former Sixth District Chair, is now a District Chairman in Alabama.

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THE LYNCHBURG LIBERTARIAN SUPPER CLUB has been meeting once a month since January. For further information, contact Thomas R. Carwile at (804) 384-3392.

NORTHERN VIRGINIA LIBERTARIAN CONFERENCE has been formed to stimulate activity in those areas of the Eighth and Tenth Districts now inactive. This project is presently under the auspices of Tenth District Chairman Scott Bowden. Contact Scott at (703) 356-0750. \*\*\*\*\*\*

NEWLY ELECTED STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS RESIGN. Burke Pond, who was elected Membership Chair and Speakers' Bureau Chair at the May meeting of the State Central Committee, and Lisa Welke, who was elected Fundraising Chair at the same meeting, both resigned from those positions in early June. Although no reasons were given, those who had talked to Pond and Welke felt that there was an indication of lack of time to perform the required tasks and dissatisfaction with LP growth in Virginia. Pond and Welke were unavailable for comment at press time.

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THIRD DISTRICT COMMITTEE is planning a major reorganization meeting. Working meetings are being held every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m., 824 W. Broad Street, Richmond. Write Third District Chairman Ed Alexander at 2931 Perlock Rd., Richmond VA 23237, or call Jim Elwood at (804) 740-5126. \*\*\*\*\*\*

LOCAL FUNDRAISER HELD IN RICHMOND. Saturday, May 21, the Third District held a yard sale in Richmond, to raise money for local mailings and literature. Thanks to all who made donations and those volunteers who helped sell white elephants and gray donkeys to the crowd, along with a free sample of Libertarianism.

\*\*\*\*\*\* WRITE-IN LAWSUIT CONTEMPLATED. Arlington Chairman Marjie Rothenhoefer has announced that the Arlington Party is considering a lawsuit against the Board of Elections in Federal Court. The Arlington LP has received numerous complaints over the past three years about supposedly malfunctioning voting machines, which either had no paper rolls in them for write-in votes, or the paper didn't advance for each voter. Since 1980, the Arlington Party has encouraged write-in votes in races where there were no Libertarian candidates. Complaints to election judges have produced little satisfaction, so legal action may be necessary. The case will probably be handled by Kevin T. Fitzmorris, an Arlington attorney who said that the situation is "a gross violation of every citizen's civil rights." For further information, contact Marjie Rothenhoefer at (703) 931-3777. \*\*\*\*\*

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