

California Libertarian News

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CALPEEK checks us over A GOOD LOOK AT THE LPC

California Political Week (CALPEEK) is a highly respected statewide newsletter of political news and analysis, with a readership across the political spectrum. The article below, evaluating our chances for November and our place in the political scene, appeared in the Aug. 11 edition and is reprinted with permission of the publishers.

Small but Influential: Libertarians

According to the California Secretary of State's Office, the California Libertarian Party has a membership of 52,660, or about .4% of the total 12 million-plus registered voters in California. But for such a small political party, the Libertarians always manage to field a full slate of candidates. 1986 is no different.

Heading the slate for governor is Joseph Fuhrig of Newark, who will challenge GOP incumbent George Deukmajian. Others are Norma Jean Almodovar of L.A., lieutenant governor; Breck McKinley of L.A., U.S. senator; Carol L. Newman of L.A., attorney general; Richard Winger of San Francisco, secretary of state; Raymond W. Cullen of Costa Mesa, treasurer; and Carolyn Treynor of Manhattan Beach, controller.

Although the party has not had a strong statewide candidate since 1978, when Ed Clark ran against Governor Jerry Brown and polled 377,960 votes, party insiders feel they have two to three candidates who will do very well come November. These candidates are Newman, Cullen, and Almodovar.

Newman is the nominee for attorney general. With the GOP fielding a relatively weak unknown in Bruce Gleason, Newman tells CALPEEK it is possible she could out-draw Gleason. She might be correct. Newman is against the reconfirmation of Chief Justice Rose Bird, although she gives Bird high marks on human and individual rights. However, it is Bird's handling of the death penalty that causes Newman serious problems. She favors the death penalty. Her position on crime follows libertarian doctrine: hit the violent stuff hard, go soft on victimless crime if there is no force or fraud.

Cullen is the nominee for state treasurer. That means he will have to go up against incumbent Democratic Jesse Unruh. However, there is no Republican in this contest, which probably means that many GOP types who don't like Unruh will

vote for Cullen. It also means he will be in the media limelight if the news media choose to give this contest any attention.

As for Almodovar, she's already received lots of publicity because of her colorful past. She is a former LAPD civilian traffic officer, who, upon leaving the police department, decided to become a callgirl. Yes, she's been in jail and prison and is currently on probation. But the ex-prostitute is very serious about this campaign and quite astute as to the subject of liberty. Her campaign office in L.A. also prepared a very professional briefing kit for the news media.

However, it will take more than this to actually win in November. It will take lots of money, which the Libertarians don't have.

As for statewide issues, this Party is in favor of Prop. 61, Gann's Fair Pay Initiative, and against Prop. 64, the AIDS Initiative. However, with candidates such as Newman, Cullen and Almodovar, the Libertarians are probably better off this year than in the past. Stay tuned.

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Bob Lehman Moving to Florida

The originator of the LONG ACTIVE campaign has been forced to curtail his activities, at least in California, while he battles an inoperable brain tumor. He'll be moving to Florida this month to be with his parents while he fights to regain his health.

In a letter to Bob, LPC chair Mark Hinkle speaks for all of us when he describes him as "one of the most dependable and dearest friends that the LPC has had in many a year," and adds, "It is with a great deal of sadness that we bid you farewell, though not goodbye. I trust that you will continue to pursue a free society in your new home in Florida. I know they can use and appreciate your knowledge." (See story page 2)

Candidates and Campaign News

Candidates' Calendars

Joe Fuhrig

September 3: Free Marin Supper Club, 6:30 p.m.
Tiffany's Restaurant, 100 Nellen Ave., Corte Madera
Topic: The Rocky Road to Freer Banking

Norma Jean Almodovar

September 10: Region 61 Supper Club, 6:30 p.m.
Location to be Announced, (818) 882-9209
Topic: Campaign Issues and Update

September 18: Region 66 Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
Home of Dave and Edna Nichols, (213) 644-3712
4596 W. 130th St., Hawthorne
Topic: Non-Intervention in Latin America

Carol Newman

September 11: Ventura County Supper Club
Carrow's Restaurant, 3445 E. Main, Ventura
Topic: Why the Attorney General's Race is Critical Now

September 19: Press Conference, San Diego, 11:00 a.m.
In front of the Federal Building

September 19: Candidate's Forum, 7:00 p.m.
Business and Professional Women's Club

September 20: Cocktail Party/Fundraiser, 4:00 p.m.
Home of Dick Rider in Rancho Bernardo
(619) 276-7166

Breck McKinley

September 10: Region 65 Supper Club, 7:00 p.m.
Topic: Public Education—America's Holocaust?

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Statewide Races

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR: Norma Jean Almodovar formally endorsed the Gann Initiative (Prop. 61) which would reduce salaries of public employees and limit pay increases of elected officials. In a letter to Paul Gann she wrote: "I believe as you do that the tax-payers are in revolt against their servants turned masters, and that the amount of salaries they are giving themselves is indecent and morally outrageous. Unless and until we, the over-burdened tax-payers, take control of their spending and the manner in which they spend it, we are in for a never-ending assault on our pocketbooks."

In a letter to David Mixner, of the Stop the LaRouche Committee, Norma Jean went on record as being "adamantly opposed to any kind of legislation that would require any quarantine or isolation of anyone with AIDS or suspected of having AIDS."

In each letter Norma Jean offered her support, both personally and as a candidate for state office, to help in any way possible to ensure passage or defeat of these measures.

THE GREAT DEBATE: Senate candidate Breck McKinley will get his chance to take on the other senate candidates in the arena of ideas. The League of Women Voters has agreed to sponsor a five-way debate between the senate candidates of all the ballot parties, in addition to two debates between Cranston and Zschau. This will be televised sometime in October, but the date has not been set.

Notes from the Ex-Com

The Ex-Com met in Santa Ana, the weekend of Aug. 8-9. Steve Krueger, chair of Orange County LPC, was appointed secretary to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of Bob Lehman. LPC chair Mark Hinkle will pursue the best contract for the management of the membership database, a responsibility handled by Bob in addition to his secretarial duties.

A special resolution of commendation and thanks was passed honoring Bob Lehman for his efforts on behalf of the LPC.

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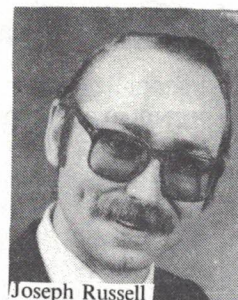
Meet the Candidates

Joseph Russell 22nd State Senate District (LAX to the San Fernando Valley, east to central L.A.)

Joe Russell, 36, is an expert in wielding vast power. While this is appropriate enough for the brief-case toting storm troopers of the bureaucratic state, it is a surprise for a highly principled libertarian. Never fear, the power engineer and entrepreneur Joe Russell deals with is of the electric variety. His credentials are nearly perfect. ("Nearly perfect" means "almost as good as mine" in libertarian.) Calling for the dismantling of police vice squads, Mr. Russell would use the freed resources to protect citizens from violent crime. He states, "The government does not have the responsibility, the right, and most certainly not the wisdom to determine people's lifestyles. This must be determined by the individual and whatever social, philosophical, or religious groups he or she chooses to belong to. Laws against certain kinds of drugs, sex acts, or prostitution have no place in a free society."

Mr. Russell owns and operates De La Guerra Power, Inc., which provides consulting and field engineering services to the electric power industry and develops methane resources from landfills and sewer plants (more relevant experience for government work). For the last 14 years he worked designing and starting up both nuclear and fossil-fuel large steam electric power stations, before starting De La Guerra Power in 1983.

Abridged from *Westside Libertarian*, June, 1986. Editor, Chris Hofland.



Joseph Russell



Neal Donner

Neal Donner 44th Assembly District (Santa Monica, Malibu, West L.A.)

Donner, 43, lives in West Los Angeles and works as a private violin teacher. He said he is running to promote the Libertarian principle of reducing the role of government and "maximizing" the individual liberties of citizens. I feel that the principles of the Libertarian Party need to be represented in every election," said Donner, a native of Germany who worked as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ethiopia from 1964 to 1966. "Eventually, they (the principles) will be taken seriously. They are already being borrowed by both major parties."

Donner said he opposes pay raises for teachers unless the raises are approved by voters. He also maintains that unions are demanding too much money. Donner is against rent control and victimless-crime laws, but said he supports "economic and sexual" freedom, as well as relaxed drug laws.

From the *Los Angeles Times*, May 22, 1986.

Ex-Com Meeting

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The Ex-Com voted recommendations for the propositions which will be appearing on the November ballot. So far, the LPC is the first political organization in California to formally endorse Prop. 61, the Gann Initiative (Fair Pay for Public Employees), according to CALPEEK publisher Mel Horowitz.

CLNews will publish more on the ballot propositions in the October issue, but for the record now, here are the recommendations of the Ex-Com: Propositions 53—56 (bond issues), No.

Prop. 57	Yes	Prop. 60	Yes	Prop. 63	No
Prop. 58	Yes	Prop. 61	Yes	Prop. 64	No
Prop. 59	No pos	Prop. 62	Yes	Prop. 65	No

The Ex-Com took no position on the matter of the reconfirmation of Rose Bird and the other controversial supreme court justices.

Those interested in learning more about these propositions and the decisions about them by the Ex-Com, should contact their reps or regional chairs.

The Ex-Com also passed a resolution authored by Waheed Bactor, candidate for the 29th Congressional District. The resolution condemned compulsory jury service as "an injustice and a violation of human rights," and resolved that "the Libertarian Party of California call for the end of compulsory jury duty and endorses jury draft resistance as a justifiable method of resisting violations of human rights."

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Things to Come?

Here's something for your regional meeting or discussion group. Several weeks ago PBS presented a TV documentary on the homeless. West L.A. libertarian Alice Lilly had a hunch that this might be a show worth recording and taped the entire thing—including a discussion by oh-so-concerned "experts," who grappled with the question of what can be done about this "problem."

Alice describes it as "absolutely frightening," and really a documentary on the "therapeutic state" in action. Not one of the solutions considered by the social workers and psychiatrists could by any stretch of the imagination be acceptable for a free people. The entire thrust of both program and discussion was that there are now certain laws on the books that prohibit locking folks away in mental hospitals and giving them the "treatment" they need.

Libertarians will realize that these laws, which are fairly recent, do not go far enough in preventing incarceration of persons not accused of any crime. But for those who wish to "help" they're a real stumbling block, and the push is on to have them repealed. This documentary is part of the propaganda barrage to gain public support for the idea that the state has a right and an obligation to lock folks up and see that they get treatment—even against their will.

According to Alice, "every libertarian ought to see it to realize what's going on." She is willing to loan her video-tape to anyone interested; she can be reached at (213) 478-9514, between 7 and 10 p.m.

Ballot Arguments Accepted

Another way to help libertarian ideas gain wider audience is to write arguments pro and con for the various propositions that appear on the ballot.

STATE-WIDE PROPOSITIONS: Ted Brown, chair of Region 64, wrote arguments opposing all four state bond issues, and one was accepted. It's against Prop. 55, that would OK \$100 million in bonds for water treatment facilities. Ted stressed the enormity of the debt which would be created if it passes, pointing out how bond financing indebts future generations. He got in a couple of licks for privatization, by urging that water treatment facilities be turned over to, and in the future handled by, private companies.

LOCAL ISSUES

LOS ANGELES: Prop. J: 96 million dollars for 4,600 additional beds in the county jail and juvenal detention "home." Ted Brown's argument against it was accepted. He focused on the inanities of the war against drugs and emphasized that if the police didn't have to arrest and incarcerate victimless criminals, there'd be plenty of beds for murderers, robbers, i.e., real criminals. As for the juvenal detention centers, these are filled with ever-increasing numbers of young people who are not guilty of any crime except running away from home.

SAN DIEGO: An argument against a 1/2 cent sales tax increase to pay for prison construction was accepted, authored by Pat Wright, San Diego chair and candidate for the 79th Assembly District.

Bob Lehman M California's Loss



You may have noticed over the past few months in *CLNews* that LPC secretary Bob Lehman has been mentioned at least once (and usually several times) in every issue. He jokes about this, saying readers will think he's bribing the editor. Not so. Bob's picture or name appears because he is wherever the action is—at an anti-tax protest, a candidate's summit meeting, working on LONG ACTIVE. If a job needs doing, Bob is there. Few can match his level of energy or dedication. At the February LPC Convention he was honored by being presented with the Karl Bray Award for outstanding dedication and effort in the cause of liberty.

Bob joined the LP in Ohio in 1973 and came to California in 1979. During those 13 years he has worked tirelessly in virtually every office and job known to libertarians. He was state chair of the Ohio LP, chair of Region 14 (now 64), state coordinator of the LPC, secretary, etc. His main goal has been to build our

The Media an

Generic Radio Ads

LP chair Jim Turney announced a new "generic" radio campaign with a soon to be available audio tape with a series of ten 60 second radio spots. Each ad will be a dialogue featuring two people discussing a subject of intense current interest and promoting the LP and its candidates.

Although the generic ads will not promote a particular LP candidate by name, there is a provision for a candidate to identify him/her self on the "tail" of each ad. That way a candidate can customize the ad and qualify it for the reduced radio political advertising rate.

Turney appointed Dr Bruce Daniel, Placer County LPC chair, to head the project. Philip Lanier, advertising writer and consultant; Sarah Foster, editor of *CLNews*; Kim Goldsworthy, Region 63 chair, are coordinating with talented audio specialists to produce the master tape.

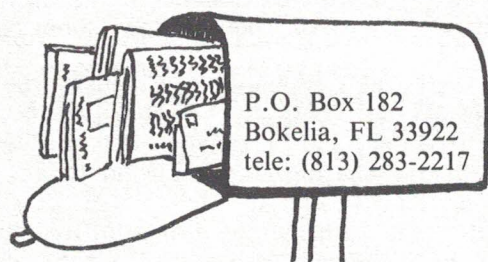
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membership base, which is why he developed the LONG ACTIVE project, and worked for hours at the Registrar of Voter's Office, pouring over the precinct books to write down the names of Libertarians who voted in the primary.

On August 23, Bob was guest of honor at a party at the home of Ann Jackson and Norman Gauss in West Los Angeles. As a going-away present, he was given a huge teddy bear — Li-bear-tarian—which, as Ann explained, is to remind Bob of our affection for him. He was also given a T-shirt, with #1 Libertarian" on the front.

Bob plans on continuing his activities on behalf of the LP in Florida. He was instrumental in securing signatures to get us on the ballot here in California, and he'll see what he can do about ballot status for the Florida LP. Bob's address is:



LONG ACTIVE: Bob reports that the first phone calling session netted 11 new volunteers willing to distribute *L.P. News* in their neighborhoods. That's out of a total of 37 calls, or, approximately, one-third. (See July *CLNews*.)

Neal Donner, chair of Region 62, has agreed to shoulder the responsibilities of coordinating the project while Bob is in Florida.

d the Message

worth of radio time during their campaigns, the party would have its first national radio coverage. It's a very do-able thing and ought to have significant impact," Turney said.

Tapes will be available in early September. They may be ordered from the Placer County LP; P.O. Box 165; Loomis, CA 95650. Cost: \$25.

Newsletter Advertising

To stretch your outreach budget, Kim Goldsworthy suggests placing ads for our statewide candidates in newsletters and magazines of organizations you belong to. Kim has already run an ad for Norma Jean in the August issue of *Lament*, the newsletter for Greater L.A. Mensa, and will be running ones for her in newsletters for the San Gabriel Valley MacIntosh Users' Group and the Association for Computing Machinery (a professional computer users society). It's a lot of milage for the money.

Save our Land: Benefit and Rally

Folks in the desert town of Nipton (near the Nevada/California border) are up in arms over S-2061, which would create a 9.5 million acre East Mojave National Park. Through this bill (introduced by Cranston and backed by the Sierra Club) ranchers, miners and property owners will lose land, and many people will lose their livelihood.

Gerald Freeman, (registered LPC) is organizing a rally in Nipton for Oct. 4-5, to raise money to fight this bill. He's arranging for musical groups from L.A. and Vegas to come and play from morning to night. There'll be a BBQ, a two-day trail ride from Searchlight to Nipton, a 20-mile endurance horse race, and other contests and awards.

Freeman tells LPC chair Mark Hinkle that the local people in Nipton aren't real happy with Cranston as a candidate, nor do they think much of Zschau. A press release for the benefit says that the LPC is one of the organizations "qualified to share proceeds."

For more information, contact Gerald Freeman, (619) 856-2335.

Special Districts Elections A Special Chance for Libertarians

When LPC Treasurer Jerry Douglas announced his intention to run in a non-partisan race for a seat on the three-person board of the Topanga-Las Virgenes Resource Conservation District, he received a call from the chairman of the board who urged him not to file. Seems it would upset the tea table if he did. The chairman explained that there were three incumbents who would be automatically reelected if noone filed for an upcoming vacancy. She told him that a new law regarding elections of special districts (lighting districts, water resource districts, sewer districts, etc.) requires these districts to fund their own elections; the county doesn't. Understandably, they don't like elections. Also, if the number of folks filing equals the number of seats to be filled, and there's no contested seat—the election results are automatic and there's no need for the names of those filing even to appear on the ballot.

Jerry urges libertarians to run for these special district seats. "Even if you don't win," he points out, "you're ahead by forcing them to have an election and to spend money. Now, it won't save money, but it will mean money is spent on something innocuous, like an election, not on things we'd rather they didn't—and you just might win."

One of the responsibilities of the office is that you're considered an expert witness on land use and are called to give testimony to the planning commissions, community redevelopment agencies, and similar agencies in your district. (And have we got things to say about land use!) This is an opportunity too good to pass by, and there are hundreds of these districts all over the state—at least one in every county.

Jerry will be on the ballot in November. (Took only ten valid signatures to file.)

The Sounding Board

Education or Electoral Politics?

Background to the Discussion: The past two issues of *CLNews* have run a debate over the merits or demerits of the Strategy Committee, which the Executive Committee established at its May meeting. Waheed Bactor, LPC candidate for the 29th Cong. District, had written that the Ex-Com was not really implementing the intention of the delegates to the February Convention who passed an important bylaws change, mandating that the primary duty of the Ex-Com was to "develop, fund and implement" a strategy committee which would work to get Libertarians elected to public office.

Waheed charged that although some of the goals laid down by the newly-created Strategy Committee were worthwhile (such as getting libertarian books into libraries), they would not be much help getting Libertarian candidates elected.

CLNews (July) published the letter, the new bylaw, and the Strategy Committee Resolution and invited readers to respond to the criticism—either for or against. We received one letter only, from Bob Lehman, who disputed Waheed's charges, and we published it last month.

This month, there was just one more letter, from Bill Birmingham, which, although it essentially backs up Bob's argument, has additional commentary of interest.

To the Editor:

How does Waheed Bactor expect to get elected, if not through "educational outreach and party building?" At this stage the Libertarian Party can't count on any votes except those of committed libertarians (or fellow travellers). We need to create more libertarians, for which there is no substitute for education; and we need to get them to the polls, for which there is no substitute for organization, or "party building." Then maybe we can afford to put Waheed on TV, not before.

One minor cavil about the plan to get libertarian books in public libraries: librarians have a habit of disposing of books

that don't circulate; that gift copy of *Human Action* may, in a few years, get sold for 50¢ to buy another copy of the new Harold Robbins potboiler. It might be better for the local LP to keep the books to educate the new converts, not to mention the old hands, whose education may have stopped with *Atlas Shrugged* and the shorter articles in *Reason*.

I also wonder whether the Ex-Com is up to the gritty political task of selecting an "approved" reading list. If I were king, I would have every libertarian, on pain of expulsion, read every word ever written by Noam Chomsky, who happens to be the finest thinker alive on foreign affairs. But somehow I don't think the Ex-Com will agree.

Bill Birmingham
Mare Island, CA

Editor's Comment: OK, it's my turn. In the debate I've taken no sides, simply printing the comments of others. But Bill's letter introduces a new subject and I'll take the opportunity to write a few words on that. Oh, by the way, Waheed didn't say he wanted to be on TV, and the Ex-Com never even suggested establishing a list of "approved" books. Now, about Noam Chomsky.

Not everyone shares Bill's evaluation of Chomsky, the first linguist that's a media star. Politically, he's New-Left. Because he talks about "freedom" and "creativity"—coupled with a smash-the-state rhetoric—he appeals to some libertarians. Unfortunately, he ain't no libertarian. He's a socialist of the anarcho-syndicalist type, with a strong distrust of free market capitalism, which he has termed, "predatory." What he means

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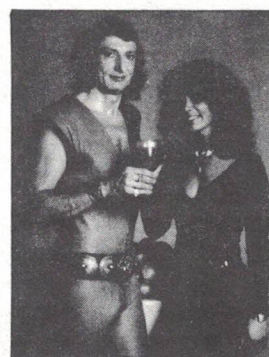
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An LPC Volunteer at El Rescate

by Laura Brown

I didn't have many plans for summer vacation from college until I heard a very moving speech, at a Region 64 LPC public meeting, by Lou DeSitter of El Rescate, an arm of the Sanctuary Movement in Los Angeles. In fact, her speech moved me to action, and I am now working three days a week at the El Rescate offices. My duties include copying, typing, filing, running to the printer, and so forth.

My most interesting and frustrating duty is when I am sent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to post bail and get an alien out of detention. The INS is in the Federal Building in downtown Los Angeles. To get to Room B-120, a basement office where bonds are posted, I have to take a circuitous, unmarked route in the bowels of the building—except on Thursdays, when the location is arbitrarily changed to B-19, an even more obscure location. Once there, I submit the application and wait anywhere from 45 minutes on a good day to my recent record of two hours, 20 minutes. I must pay the bail money (usually \$2,500 or so) with cash or U.S. Postal Service money order only. The bureaucrats don't like small bills and they don't like any variation from the system. Once I had some money orders from a bank, rather than the Postal Service.

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by "freedom" and "creativity" is not what we mean by those terms.

His influence, like that of behaviorist B. F. Skinner (with whom he disagrees), is very pervasive in the world of ideas, which is why libertarians should make themselves familiar with them—I agree with Bill about that, though I can't agree that one need read every word.

English linguist Geoffrey Sampson has written an excellent analysis of Chomsky's ideas and beliefs, in *Liberty and Language* (Oxford Univ. Press, 1979).

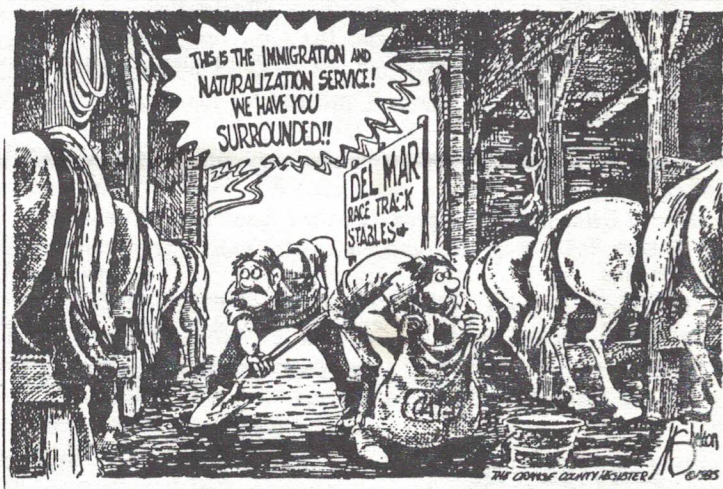
Sampson, unlike Chomsky, is libertarian (he prefers the term "liberal.") Also, unlike Chomsky, he's an empiricist in the tradition of Locke, Hayek, and Popper, and he answers Chomsky not only on linguistic grounds, but philosophical. His analysis is calm but devastating—and, yes, there's a chapter on "Chomsky, Race and Foreign Policy."

They were refused, and as a result a man had to spend two additional days in detention.

Is El Rescate an ideologically pure libertarian organization? No. It makes use of county services, like County-USC Medical Center, for the immigrants. It leans to the left ideologically, deploring the government of Jose Napoleon Duarte in El Salvador, while seeming to take a favorable attitude toward Daniel Ortega's Sandanista government in Nicaragua. But one positive factor about that group is that it consistently and loudly opposes America's foreign policy of intervention in Central America. El Rescate is genuinely concerned with easing the transition of immigrants into American society. It offers free clothing and a program to raise bail money. It is starting El Refugio, a temporary shelter for homeless aliens. It does not receive government money, yet its annual budget is over \$100,000, with the largest source of funds being the Southern California Ecumenical Council, followed by large numbers of individual donors.

El Rescate is an organization, in my opinion, worth supporting. Certainly, I cringe when I see a notice of a fundraiser for Cruz Reynoso (a liberal State Supreme Court justice who is running for re-election in November) sitting around the office. Certainly, I don't like to hear calls for increased government services for immigrants, but I put my two cents worth in and get on with the task at hand—helping new Americans get settled here. It's a rewarding job, and I urge all of you to help in the effort.

Laura is the LPC candidate for the 24th State Senate District.



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Butte			Mark Sweany	916/345-9970
Contra Costa			Hugh McLean	415/234-7809
Fresno			Tim Salzer	209/233-4393
Kern	Fridays	Discussion Group and Party Every Friday Evening	Craig Gifford	805/832-6231
Lake			Randall Grindle	707/994-4817
Los Angeles Co. (Regions 61-67)				
-61, San Fernando Valley	Wed., Sept. 10	N. J. Almodovar: Campaign Issues and Update	Roland Shirley*	818/882-9209
-62, West L.A.	Thu., Aug. 21	Larry Leathers: Campaign Issues: 55 mph Speed Limit	Neal Donner	213/477-6462
-63, Foothills	Tue., Sept. 16	Taylor Rhodes: On the Campaign Trail	Kim Goldsworthy	818/280-5644
-64, Central L.A.	Thu., Sept. 11	Breck McKinley: Public Education: America's Holocaust?	Ted Brown	213/257-8922
-65, Downey	Wed., Sept. 10	Breck McKinley: Public Education: America's Holocaust?	Marty Swinney	213/699-3128
-66, South Bay	Thu., Sept. 21	N. J. Almodovar: Non-Intervention in Latin America	Cullene Lang	213/595-6266
-67, East San Gabriel Valley			Gail Lightfoot	714/599-1627
Marin	Wed., Sept. 3	Joe Fuhrig: The Rocky Road to Freer Banking	Dan Dougherty*	415/457-1411
Monterey			Bob Ratto	408/424-9346
Nevada			Jim Hosbein	916/273-9174
Orange	Thu. Sept. 18	D. Bergland: Libertarian Temperament (Lib. Forum Supper Club)	Steve Krueger	714/969-3706
Placer			Bruce Daniel	916/663-2568
Riverside	Thu., Sept. 18	Libertarian Speaker: Audio Tape	Ron Holman	714/684-5218
Sacramento			Roger Pope	916/921-1776
San Bernardino		See Riverside County	Brian Bishko	714/684-5218
San Diego	Tue., Sept. 9	Charles Balinger: Separation of Church and State	Dick Rider*	619/276-7166
	Tue., Sept. 16	Business Meeting	Pat Wright	619/238-0913
San Diego (No. Co.)	Tue., Sept. 30	Phil Fixler: Trends in Private Education	Cary Smith*	619/741-8044
San Francisco			Mike Mayakis	415/621-2386
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San Mateo			Lyn Sapowsky	415/368-8148
Santa Barbara			Dave Villadsen*	805/685-1686
Santa Clara			Dale Burrow	408/279-3733
Santa Cruz	Sept. 9-14	Santa Cruz County Fair: Literature Booth	Bill Anderson*	408/476-9753
Solano			Mark Moberg	707/864-1673
Sonoma			Jim Oglesby	707/823-5261
Tulare	Sats. 6, 20	Discussion: Walter Block's <i>Defending the Undefendable</i>	Vicky Daley	209/688-4159
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