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### Welcome Newcomers

Welcome to all first time readers and inquiries of the Libertarian Party of Illinois. The *Illinois Libertarian* comes out once a month (or sometimes a double issue like this one once every two months). It reports on events happening with the LPI and its affiliate clubs. It is also a forum on ideas to promote liberty.

The LPI is dedicated to the advancement of individual liberty and the personal responsibility that goes with it. We strive to educate our fellow citizens on the issues of freedom and also to run political candidates to educate and win elections.

Besides providing a political home to the politically homeless, we provide a social program with dinners, parties, and other social events. It is comforting, reassuring and intellectually stimulating to be able to relate socially with people who think for themselves and value liberty in such a high fashion. If you haven't already done so, we invite you to join the Libertarian Party and help us in our common goal to restore freedom, prosperity, and peace to our country—and to have a heck of a lot of fun while doing so.

The Libertarian Party was formed in 1971 and has been in the forefront of the movement to restore free markets, reduce taxes and burdensome regulations, and to promote tolerance concerning individual lifestyle choices. That was the vision of the Founding Fathers, so in a sense this is a restoration of strictly limited Constitutional government. However, there were some obvious flaws in that vision. Our movement intends to improve on that vision so that freedom comes to all people, not just white Anglo-Saxon protestant males.

The LP is growing every year. We just elected four state representatives in New Hampshire as Libertarians. There are hundreds of Libertarians throughout the country elected to local positions such as city council and school boards. LPI member Paul Salander is an elected township supervisor in LaSalle County here in Illinois.

In November, our US senatorial candidates received more votes than any third party has done since 1914—1.1 million. Over three million people voted for a Libertarian in the past election.

We are the largest "third" party in the country, the most organized, and the one destined to deliver the concept and realization of individual freedom to citizens of the 21st century.

If you haven't joined us yet, go for it. We need your help in order to help you and others win this battle over the various governments that oppress, harass, abuse, intimidate and steal from its citizens. There is a membership form on the back page of this newsletter. Send it in today!

### Libertarian Party of Illinois Election Results

#### President and Vice-President

Andre Marrou /Nancy Lord 281,805 .2%

#### U.S. Senate

Andrew Spiegel 35,527 .7%

#### U of I Trustees

Steven Givot 52,273 1.2%

Katherine Kelley 113,393 2.7%

Michael Linksvayer 40,548 1%

#### U.S. Congress, 5th Dist.

Blaise Grenke 8,456 3.6%

#### State Senate,

Ken Prazak, 20th Dist. 2609 2.9%

Michael Rosing, 41st Dist. 1727 2%

#### State Representative

Ted Beckman, 18th Dist. 779 2%

Ken McCracken, 39th Dist. 4,640 12.3%

Stephen Berman, 56th Dist. 1,222 2.6%

Paul Salander, 76th Dist. 1,152 2.5%

### ☆ Campaign '92

#### An Evaluation and a Plea

As the Spiegel for Senate campaign manager, I would like to take this time to assess the campaign—what we did well, what we didn't do well, what succeeded, and what failed. And to make a plea.

First, though, I would like to thank all volunteers who helped with the campaign to make it a success. I especially would like to thank Pat Pepin Franke who agreed to answer the phone for us at LPI headquarters (which is also her and her husband Frank's business), and to mail out literature to inquiries and volunteers. The Frankes' help was indispensable. Jeanette Muench also helped in this regard when Pat and Bob were out of town on business. Pat, Bob, and Jeanette—thank you! I would also like to thank Ralph Miron for first suggesting, and then helping recruit Andrew Spiegel to run for Senate. Also a great thanks to Jeanette Clinkunbroomer, data base coordinator, who kept us supplied promptly with names, phone numbers and mailing labels. She also wrote one of the position papers.

Obviously, the vote total of 34,500 was a disappointment. But we did a lot of good things that will make that vote total go up geometrically next time.

First, one of the main accomplishments we made this year was in recruiting a truly great candidate. Andrew Spiegel not only articulated the issues very well, but did so in a prolific manner. Andy was a very hard worker, and it paid off in a number of ways.

We now have county contacts in a number of areas in Illinois that we never had before. Budding activism is developing in Centralia, Belleville, Vandalia, Bloomington, Champaign-Urbana, Decatur, the Quad cities area, Rockford, Oregon, Northwestern Law School, Harper College, and Elgin. Peoria Libertarians are continuing their activism at a fever pitch. With Andy's help, Paul Salander has definitely made libertarianism a household word in the LaSalle County area.

Building a political party at the grass roots level as we are doing will make the Libertarian Party a major player in Illinois politics.

During the campaign, we increased our data base by 100% to over 4,000 names. Membership is growing.

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### An Evaluation and a Plea (from page 1)

We sent out media kits to over 120 news organizations. These organizations include every daily newspaper in the state; I'm sure more than a few found out about the Libertarian Party for the first time. Press coverage was very good in the medium and smaller markets. And we got page-one coverage in the *Daily Herald*, the fastest growing daily newspaper in Illinois. Persistence paid off and we managed to get Andy on channel 11—WTTW, where he outshone all other senatorial candidates by far. He received excellent coverage by WCIA TV in Champaign, the most watched television station outside the Chicago area.

We ran radio ads through Treasurer Helen Heyden's efforts, continuously throughout October in Chicago—WGN and WLS, Rockford—WROK, Ottawa—WCMY, Champaign—WDWS, Salem—WJBD, Springfield—WTAX, and Marion—WDDD. Also one man contributed 50 radio spots on an easy-listening-to radio station in Peoria. And other Peoria activists put in quite a bit of their own money and produced their own ad for the Libertarian Party.

Andy attended candidate forums throughout the state, helping to make libertarianism a household word. Andy also testified against the Berman Amendment, which went down to defeat saving Illinois taxpayers billions of dollars.

Andy and I also made contact with some politicians who might be able to help us with ballot access legislation here in Illinois.

So when we look at the campaign as a whole, and not just the vote totals (there were eight candidates on the ballot for U.S. Senate), it was definitely a success.

There are things we should do better next time. The first thing is planning. We got the campaign started and recruited our candidate with no planning at all and with no money to start with. Until August 3, we had to concentrate on ballot access. Because of the lack of planning, as campaign manager I had to personally take the jobs of fund raising, press relations which included putting together 120 media kits that had 10 position papers, typesetting, scheduling, pinch hitting for Andy, coordinating volunteers, and event planning. Because of this, the fund raising effort of the campaign fell short. We raised only \$10,000 and have a current debt of over \$2,000.

The debt breakdown includes a \$300 loan from volunteer treasurer and radio advertising manager Helen Heyden. Andy Spiegel has over \$500 coming in expense reimbursements. We owe our printer about \$700. And the campaign owes me over \$500 do to reimbursements and a less-than-minimum-wage commission.

Helen, Andy, and I worked full time for this campaign. We think we succeeded in many aspects. Now we ask you to help us out this one more time and eliminate this campaign debt. A return form is provided below, and a return envelope is included in this newsletter. Please make checks payable to Spiegel for Senate. The address is P.O. Box 396, Wheaton, IL 60187.

Any money we receive beyond our debt will go into a Libertarian Party Campaign Development Fund, so that the next campaign doesn't start behind the eight ball the way we did.

Please help us get in the black, and put Campaign-94 on the right track.

Sincerely,



Ken Drazak

Spiegel for Senate Campaign Manager

Spiegel for Senate

Attn: Andy Spiegel

Gentlepersons!

Just want to ensure that you have feed-back on the impressive inroads you made in Metro-East. Whether via telephoning-in on live TV on the KMOX St. Louis talk show, or by participating in the candidates forum at Belleville Area College, or press coverage in the *St. Louis Post Dispatch*, you really raised some eye brows!

In Madison County, you received 604 votes, over four times the 137 votes cast for Andre Marrou. The editor of the *Collinsville Herald* was very impressed with your count, as well as with the Libertarians he met at the meeting he covered, and personally assured me that your and Andre's vote totals will be included, (along with Republican and Democratic, when he publishes the official election results).

In Saint Clair County, you received 472 votes, also over four times the 109 votes cast for Andre Marrou.

The news director for *The Belleville News-Democrat* plans to include Libertarian candidates in future election results.

I realize that some of your count was (non-Libertarian) protest over the major shortcomings of both Braun and Williamson; but I also know that many "less-than-hardcore" Libertarians, who preferred you, voted "for the lesser of two evils."

With our "Made-in-the-USA Mussolini" presidential candidate, whose millions siphoned off the overwhelming part of "the protest vote", we now have a more refined estimate of how many "true believers" we have. Real Libertarians voted for Andre Marrou because they knew that the lesser of evils is still an evil, and wanted to send a message.

Your activities down here in SW Illinois have really helped our party start to grow around here, I feel. Many, many thanks!!

You campaigned hard, it shows, and it was worth all your good efforts!! Warmest!

Rob Robertson

### Yes, I would like to help the Spiegel campaign, and campaign '94

I have enclosed my contribution in the amount of:  \$1000  \$500  \$100  \$50  \$25  \$10 \$

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# 1992 Election Analysis

## WHO REALLY WASTED THEIR VOTE?

by Christopher Maxwell

Who wasted their vote, those who voted Libertarian or those who voted for Clinton, Perot and Bush?

Those who voted for George Bush because they thought Clinton will raise taxes, create more Federal regulations, violate their property rights, expand the system of negative incentives which reward irresponsibility and penalize success, enlarge the deficit and pass gun control bills clearly wasted their vote. George Bush and the Republicans have done all these things in the past and will do them again.

Those who voted for Bill Clinton to prevent censorship, reduce subsidies for big business and prevent intervention in foreign wars wasted their votes too.

lack of a U.S. role in the Balkans, and talks about the need to "rebuild the economy." Democrats also have a long history of supporting political censorship on behalf of blacks, feminists and others. How this differs from censorship for moral purposes is a mystery to me.

Those who voted for Perot to let the system know they wanted change have failed. Politicians understand that Perot's voters are unhappy, but the policies Perot promoted are all the same kind of thinking that got us into this mess. Perot and his voters want the government to do something about absolutely everything. I listened to Perot since his first announcement on Larry King and he never said anything was none of the government's business. No matter the issue or subject, Perot had a government solution to it. He never once suggested that maybe the government could just quit doing what it did to cause the problem. The only message politicians got from Perot's voters is that these people want the government to do more.

Neither incumbent party will change their ways until the Libertarian Party becomes a credible threat to them. This will not happen until Libertarians get elected in large numbers or the incumbent parties see themselves losing voters they have taken for granted.

If the Republicans saw millions of anti-tax voters they were counting on deserting to the Libertarian Party, you can believe the Republicans would change their attitudes about raising taxes fast. If they saw millions of the gun owners they take for granted voting Libertarian, they would again become defenders of the second amendment.

Likewise, if the Democrats saw the anti-intervention vote leaving them for the Libertarian Party, they would reconsider the need for U.S. involvement in other people's affairs. If they saw the creative artistic community whom they count on to promote their ideal-



Senate candidate Andrew Spiegel talks to WCIA reporter in

ogy deserting them, they would change their attitudes about censorship for "political correctness."

A few percent less for Bush, Perot or Clinton would not have changed the outcome of the election. A

have changed the outcome of future elections and the

If every American who agreed with us had voted Libertarian this time, we would not have to spend all our money and burn out all our volunteers gathering signatures on ballot petitions next time. We would have received enough votes to gain automatic ballot qualification in all 50 states.

If the people who want the government to get out of their lives and leave them alone start voting Libertarian, in 20 years we will have restored liberty and opportunity. If people keep wasting their votes on the Republicans and Democrats and big-government fans like Perot, in 20 years we will be living in a socialist police state.

Until Americans quit wasting their votes by voting for the incumbent parties, the government will operate on a business as usual basis and America's problems will continue to get worse.



Spiegel addressing Libertarians at Election night celebration in Chicago.

## Election '92: A Candidate's Perspective

by Andrew B. Spiegel

Now that Election '92 is over, it is time for Libertarians to accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative.

As human beings, we each have the choice to view the glass as half full or half empty. Since 95% of the struggle for success consists of maintaining a positive mental attitude, I suggest we all view the glass as half full.

Let's look at the presidential race first. Clinton did not win by any landslide. When you consider the fact that only 55% of the electorate actually voted in the '92 Election, Clinton actually received only 23.65% of the possible popular vote.

Another interesting fact is, excepting Woodrow Wilson in 1912, Clinton won with the lowest popular vote (43%) since 1860. The historians among us will recall Michael Dukakis received 45.9% of the vote in 1988; Clinton received only 43%, the same percentage as Jimmy Carter in 1980, losing to Ronald Reagan.

Even more interesting is the fact that Clinton only received 23.65% of the possible popular vote in his home state of Arkansas and in Washington D.C. There were anti-Clinton majorities in 49 of the 50 states. His election confirms that the Democratic Party is a minority party.

Next, let's look at the third party/independent vote. Ross Perot received 19%, which was better than any other independent candidate since the 27% polled by Teddy Roosevelt as the Bull Moose Party presidential candidate in 1912. Perot's vote totals showed the amount of discontent among voters with the Republicans.

As we all are painfully aware, Andre Marrou as well as other third-party and independent candidates received hardly any news media attention compared to Perot. Andre came in first among the remaining third-party candidates. Vote totals as of November 9, 1992, according to the Associated Press were as follows:

Andre Marrou	283,790	Libertarian Party
Bo Gritz	97,754	Populist Party
Lenora Fulani	80,595	New Alliance Party
John Hagelin	42,547	Natural Law Party
Howard Phillips	39,845	U.S. Taxpayer's Party
Lyndon LaRouche	25,960	Democratic Party
Total	570,491	

Andre received 49.7% of the third-party vote when you exclude Perot.

The races of Andre Marrou, Howard Phillips and Bo Gritz, when combined with Perot show that at least

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### THE SLICK WILLIE ADMINISTRATION

#### WHAT THE CLINTON VICTORY WILL MEAN TO THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY.

by Christopher Maxwell

Good news and bad news. The good news is that Ross Perot was not elected President, and George Bush was not re-elected. The bad news is that Bill Clinton will be the next President of the United States.

The lopsided Electoral Vote totals mask the fact that Clinton only received 1,000,000 more votes than Michael Dukakis received in 1988. The newspaper headlines proclaiming this a "LANDSLIDE" ignore the fact that Clinton only received 43% of the vote, not even a majority, much less a landslide.

Clinton has already stated that he will sign the D.C. Statehood Bill, some sort of National Health Care Bill, and the Brady Bill. This may encourage the Socialist Democrat extremists in Congress to add so many new conditions and amendments to these bills that they can't get past the Senate. At that even Clinton can't sign them. Strangely enough, the election of this Liberal Democrat to the Presidency may actually slow progress on a few of the Liberals pet projects.

Of course, these bills and many more will eventually pass, but probably not many more than would have been passed under Bush. The only difference is that the Liberals won't offer any compromises unless these bills are shot down once.

These compromises will be the type that only dedicated statisticians can achieve: subsidies for big-business in exchange for subsidies for the social services racket; gun control in exchange for warrantless searches; new regulations on business in exchange for new restrictions on civil liberties; new war toys in exchange for useless military bases kept open, etc. All of this will be paid for by increased taxes, increased deficits, and a rising National Debt.

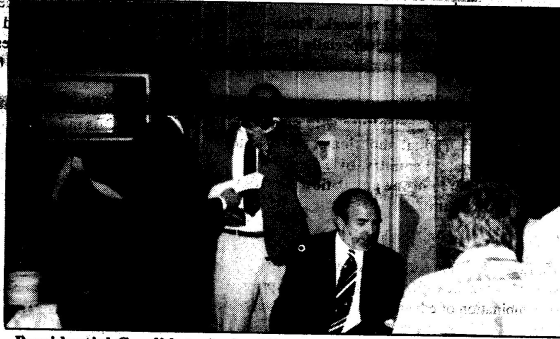
The good news is that the Liberals may get enough of what they want to ruin things fast and bring the majority of the American people to their senses. Many new Liberal Democrat Senators and Congresspersons were elected also. The current feeble recovery will continue for a short time but will sputter out as the government takes a larger and larger share of the nation's income and resources and new laws and regulations put small companies out of business.

The Liberal Democrats in Congress will claim that the increasing problems are due to Clinton not being Liberal enough and that if they had complete control, they would be able to solve the problems. No president could possibly be Liberal enough for

some of the leftist lunatics in Congress and the media. Some voters will still believe them, but many will begin to see the truth.

Things will probably get worse faster under the Slick Willie Administration than they would have under Bush, and people will be more receptive to an anti-government, anti-Washington message. But the Republicans may be able to avoid sharing the blame.

The real danger to Libertarians in the next four years is that we will start to sound just like the Republicans, criticizing the Democrats in Congress and the White House. The few Liberals who acknowledged our existence in this election tried to paint us as some sort of off-brand Republicans. This will probably become their standard tactic as we grow larger and they find themselves challenged by us



Presidential Candidate Andre Marrou at the Election Night Celebration with Campaign Manager Steve Givot on the phone

more often.

The Republicans will run up their "less government, lower taxes" flag again. We will keep reminding people that the Republicans didn't do anything about less government or lower taxes when they had the opportunity.

We will have to remind people that Ronald Reagan never submitted a budget that was anywhere near balanced, and never vetoed the pork-stuffed deficit budgets that Congress passed. We will remind people that the federal budget doubled between 1980 and 1988, and then it really took off under George Bush. We need to remind people about George Bush saying "Read my lips, no new taxes." We have to remind people that in his 1992 State of the Union Address George Bush said, "This government is too big and spends too much." He then handed Congress a \$1.5 trillion budget the next day!

The Slick Willie Presidency can be an enormous long-term opportunity for the Libertarian Party and for Liberty. We are facing four years of rapid growth, but only if we avoid the trap of sounding like Republicans.

### MORE ALTERNATIVE PARTIES

by Christopher Maxwell

In addition to the Demagogues the Repugnants and Henry Perot, presidential candidates were fielded by the Libertarian Party, the New Alliance Party, the Socialist Workers Party, the Natural Law Party, and the Populist Party.

Anti-abortionist Republicans who were dissatisfied with Rich Williamson's pro-choice position put Chad Koppie on the ballot for U.S. Senate under the Conservative Party label. The Harold Washington Party ran Deloris Jones for Cook County Circuit Court Clerk. Sheila Jones, a follower of political cult-leader/crackpot Lyndon LaRouche ran for Congress in the 9th district under the Economic Recovery label. Other candidates ran for offices as independents.

More alternative parties than ever were on the ballot in Illinois this year, as more people than ever have seen through the lies of the statist-quo "two-party system." Unfortunately, many of these people still aren't ready to accept that big government won't work, no matter who is in charge.

The New Alliance Party and the Socialist Workers Party are Marxists. One might wonder why we need more the Republicans.

The Natural Law Party is made up of followers of the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, who believe that all our problems can be solved by Transcendental Meditation. They might have something there! Maybe all the politicians and bureaucrats could spend their time meditating instead of scheming up new ways to waste our money and steal our rights. If they would leave us alone for a few years we could straighten everything out.

The Populist Party ran a very active campaign in Illinois, considering the fact that they were not on the ballot in enough states to win 270 electoral votes. Their lack of organization and the lack of experience of most of their activists didn't stop them from working hard to get their message out.

No Populist Party activist I met had ever been involved in any political campaign before. They seem to be mostly blue-collar workers who were attracted to the Christian-Patriot, anti-liberal, anti-government rhetoric of their candidate, James "Bo" Gritz. Some were not aware that the Populist Party had David Duke as their 1988 Candidate. It will be a long time before other people forget that.

The Populists managed to get more people to show up at their rallies and demonstrations than we did, even though their voter support was smaller than ours. While we have more writers, planners, organizers and thinkers, they have more people who will actually get out and do things. These are the type of people we need more of in the Libertarian Party.

Since we share most of the same principles and would appeal to many of the same people, we should definitely try to bring these people on board. In case you are not familiar with their platform, they are for:

Establishment of lawful currency

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## The Communist Manifesto Of 1848 As Practiced Today

by Christopher Maxwell

During the 1992 presidential campaign, Libertarian candidate Andre Marrou shocked and offended many interviewers by stating that 70% of the Communist Manifesto had been enacted in America. This statement was met with disbelief because many journalists and reporters, as well as the public they try to inform, do not know the source of many of the most common political, social and economic principles being promoted today.

It is not the intention of this article to accuse any politicians or holders of public office of being Communists. The purpose of this article is to expose the source of many of the ideas and principles held by many politicians, journalists, and educators who may well not be aware of the source of their beliefs. Democrat, Republican and Independent politicians have all adopted planks. These ideas have found their way into school text books, and are taught without any awareness of their source or purpose.

This also demonstrates that a small political movement that never gains electoral success can still have a profound influence on events.

The following bold print items are the ten points recommended by Karl Marx: "to wrest, by degrees, all capital from the bourgeois, to centralize all instru-

the proletariat organized as the ruling class." The actual text of the Communist Manifesto is available in many editions.

### 1. Abolition of property in land and application of all rents of land to public purposes.

Property tax, and the seizure of land for non-payment of property tax have accomplished the same effect while maintaining the pretense of private ownership. Not only are you required to pay rent on the land you "own", but zoning, licensing, agricultural and environmental laws and regulations control exactly what you may be allowed to build, grow, or do on "your" land.

### 2. A heavy progressive or graduated income tax.

The intent of the progressive income tax is to pull everyone down to the lowest level regardless of their earnings rather than improve the prospects of the workers.

### 3. Abolition of all right of inheritance.

Confiscatory estate tax rates.

### 4. Confiscation of the property of all emigrants and rebels.

Emigration and rebellion have not become problems for the government here.

### 5. Centralization of credit in the hands of the state, by means of a national bank with state capital and an exclusive monopoly.

The Federal Reserve Bank.

### 6. Centralization of the means of communication and transport in the hands of the state.

The Federal Communications Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission have given the government almost total control of these while permitting the illusion of private ownership.

### 7. Extension of factories and instruments of production owned by the state; the bringing into cultivation of waste lands, and the improvement of the soil generally in accordance with a common plan.

See the TVA and the U.S. government's agricultural policy for examples of this.

### 8. Equal obligation of all to work. Establishment of industrial armies, especially for agriculture.

National Service, anyone?

turing industries; gradual abolition of the distinction between town and country, by a more equitable distribution of the population over the country.

### How about a National Industrial Policy?

10. Free education for all children in public schools. Abolition of child factory labor in its present form. Combination of education with industrial production, etc.

Why public (i.e. government) schools instead of private? To control the children's political and social indoctrination. It's working.

Abolition of child factory labor was probably the only good idea in the whole mess. Also probably the least necessary, as rising factory wages for adults would have eliminated the need for families to send their kids to work in sweatshops in a free market.

Planks number 4 and 9 seem more applicable to Europe, where the manifesto was written. The rest are well under way here in the United States today.

## I'D RATHER BE RIGHT THAN PRESIDENT

by Jeanette Clinkunbroomer

...and news is the campaign's only bad news... too depressing to contemplate.

You know—even as you petition—that the Libertarian won't win unless all other candidates drop dead on the eve of the election, or unless a Jeffersonian Tinkerbell flits through the district sprinkling Vote-Libertarian fairy dust over unsuspecting, registered voters. But is a stinking 5 percent too much to ask for?

The final insult is that we can't get timely vote counts through the regular channels. You work your butt off, and ABC, NBC and CBS lump you with "OTHER." If they report the count at all. In 1990, on the way home from an Election Night gathering, I stopped to pick up a six-pack to drink myself to sleep, and learned for the very first time that liquor cannot be sold, by law, after midnight in my village. One more reason to throw the bums out.

On Election Night 1992 I stayed home with a terrible cold and watched the spy-thriller, *Charade*, on PBS. As the movie ended and PBS was announcing that George Bush's concession was forthcoming, I telephoned a Libertarian friend and we cheerfully discussed the possibility of a public forum. At the time, even Peter Jennings was sick and fed up with the

Yet, for all of these aversion tactics, there is no escape from this feeling that we've all spent the last year, or 20 years in some cases, knocking our heads against a brick wall.

Wednesday morning I avoided the newspapers and listened to music radio during rush hour, until I just had to peek. Don and Roma on WLS took one call from a listener who was going to withdraw her entire savings account and stuff it in her mattress until the Democrats leave office. Then Caller #2 bowed to "pink-slip" his twelve employees and go back to operating his business all by himself.

I cherish this kind of *Atlas Shrugged* talk. There must be some way to get some literature to these fine, upstanding, patriotic Americans.

A campaign hangover feels like disappointment/despair/anger/bitterness/contempt/emptiness/mean-spirited hatred, and it's always worse than I think it could possibly be. I mean, what did I expect? Still, there's no outlet for this dreadful grief except maybe to slap around a postal worker, and that's against my principles.

What has happened over the course of several election years is that all these nebulous negativities have hardened into a resolve that's beginning to frighten me.

No way. I'm not giving up. They (the establishment in general) isn't taking my commitment to liberty away from me, although they may end up with just about everything else. And isn't it about time we get started on the 1994 campaigns, instead of sitting around here whining?

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## 1992 Election Analysis

### LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ILLINOIS WORKING ON 1994 CAMPAIGN

by Christopher Maxwell

In the early 1980s, the Libertarian Party proved it could survive reverses. Voters temporarily lost interest in alternative parties during the false "credit binge" prosperity of the early Reagan years. We should not be discouraged by the low vote for our presidential ticket this year, which was caused by the appearance of a close contest between Bush and Clinton.

We received more media exposure and nationwide interest in the party in 1992 than in the entire 20 year history of the Libertarian Party. Andre Marrou and Nancy Lord ran an active and effective campaign, which helped our local and state candidates. We are taking active measures to make the most of this opportunity to make people think about taking their lives, property and country back from the arrogant and ineffective politicians and bureaucrats.

Plans for the 1994 Congressional and State office elections are already underway. Our candidates will receive more and better help from the state party than ever before. Plans underway are:

1. A special Campaign 94 Fund is being started now. Money assigned to this fund will not be used for any other purpose. A state-wide fundraising effort, starting now, will help fund campaigns and provide printed materials for all candidates and extra assistance for one winnable state representative race.

2. A candidates manual is being prepared to give first-time candidates and campaign managers the experience learned in previous campaigns.

3. Candidate training and assistance by our own veterans and outside experts.

4. Endorsement research and promotion to help our candidates with questionnaires and gain single issue groups' and other public organizations' endorsements for our candidates.

5. An Issues Research Committee will have position papers ready on current local and state issues and legislative proposals. This has been a major problem in the past as our part-time candidates have to earn an honest living and do not have time to research every new legislative or referendum proposal.

Your help will be necessary if these plans are to succeed. Get involved now, don't wait until October 1994 to call up and ask what you can do to help.

If you are willing to have your name placed on the ballot in 1994, let us know what congressional, state senate, and state representative district you are in. Even if you will not be able to campaign actively, we may want your name on the ballot to run against an unopposed incumbent.

Become a monthly campaign pledger. Twenty dollars a month towards the 1994 Campaign fund now will help more than five hundred dollars in 1994, and it's easier to do. Fifty or one hundred dollars per month from now until the next election will give us a

### PROGRESS REPORT

by Christopher Maxwell

The steady and rapid growth of the Libertarian Party continued despite both Ross Perot's media side-show and active campaigns by more alternative parties than ever before.

Andre Marrou received 300,000 votes. While we were disappointed with this, we always knew we were not going to win the Presidential election. That is why most of our work and money concentrated on state and local elections. In one state-wide race, Libertarian candidate Richard Draheim received over 400,000 votes in his campaign for Texas Railroad Commissioner.

Seven other Libertarian candidates were elected including four State Legislators in New Hampshire, and many county and city officers.

Major Party ballot qualification was won or retained in 18 states, which will greatly reduce our petitioning requirements in future elections and allow us to spend more time, money and energy on our campaigns.

Millions of voters split their tickets to vote for at least some Libertarians, many for the first time. Libertarian candidates for local and state offices in

every state received double-digit percentages and totaled over 3 million votes.

The cracks in the foundation of the status-quo have become too big to hide. More people than ever agree that big government doesn't work, and are ready to vote for less government.

It is important and useful to let our members and supporters know about these results. It is even more important to let the public know there is an alternative while there is something left of our country to save. We know by now that we can't count on the news media to understand or report the importance of our progress. We are going to have to publicize these results ourselves.

If you agree that it is important to inform the public about our progress, we need your help. If you aren't a member, please join. If you are a member of the national party but not the state party, please join the state party also. The state parties are where everything except the Presidential campaign happens. If you are a member of the Libertarian Party of Illinois, consider becoming a Life Member. Please make more than the minimum contribution. Isn't Liberty worth more than \$20 per year?

### Spiegel's Perspective (cont'd from page 3)

20% of the American people are fed up with the Republicans and the Democrats. When you factor in the 45% of the electorate who did not even bother to vote, we are talking about 65% of the electorate being fed up with the system! This represents an untapped gold mine for the Libertarian Party.

Turning to the U.S. Senate races, for those of you who don't know, my final vote total was 34,527, which represented .7% of total votes cast. However, nationwide, our Libertarian U.S. Senate candidates received over 1,243,279 votes! We had an 8-way race in Illinois. The final vote totals were in direct proportion to the news media attention (or inattention, as the case may be.)

In the U.S. House races, Libertarian candidates received over 803,000 votes. Perhaps even more importantly, there was a 100% victory for term limitations referenda in 14 out of 14 states on which that question appeared on the ballots. And of course we defeated the dreaded Berman Amendment here in Illinois, which would have increased taxes by billions of dollars and taken what local control is left in the government school system.

During the campaign, it became apparent there are even closet libertarians among the Republicans and Democrats. These people represent another untapped mine for the Libertarian Party to work.

Election '92 was a building process. Now, we must continue to build on our achievements. We have identified people around the state willing to act as county coordinators. We must continue to identify friends of liberty and remain eternally vigilant in our struggle to restore the Constitution.

### Campaign Plusses

- Berman Amendment Defeated
- Increased our database 100%
- Set up county coordinators throughout the state
- Increased Libertarian name recognition greatly
- Clinton received a lower percentage of the vote than the loser Dukakis
- Attracted many new activists
- Increased membership
- 14 out of 14 term-limit referenda won
- Most tax referenda in the state were defeated
- Four Libertarians elected to New Hampshire state legislature
- Our three percent made the difference in the Georgia race for Senator



## 1992 Election Analysis

### One Strategy that Worked

by Ken Prazak

It had been my number one goal this year for the '92 campaign to be able to vote for a Libertarian candidate from president on down to state representative. I succeeded in that goal and in the process Ken McCracken running for state representative in my 39th district received permanent ballot status by getting 12% of the vote in a two-way race.

The work I put in getting us permanent ballot status really wasn't that extensive because it only amounted to recruiting candidates.

Upon Ralph Miron's recommendation, Ralph, Helen Heyden, and I recruited Andrew Spiegel for U.S. Senate. Then, I made a pact with Ralph. If he would run for Congress, I would run for State Senate. He agreed. The only position left was state representative. I asked Ken McCracken if he would run at least a paper candidacy for state representative in the 39th district. He agreed. Ken is in the process of developing a new career as a trader, and so did not really devote much time to the campaign. But he did answer some questionnaires and it turns out that he ran in a two-way race, virtually guaranteeing future permanent ballot status if he got on the ballot.

It is important to note that neither Ralph, Ken McCracken nor I got sufficient signatures to qualify for ballot status. But only Ralph got challenged. So Ken and I were on the ballot and Ralph was on as a write-in candidate. I fulfilled my goal to vote for a Libertarian candidate from president on down to state representative.

So my first point I would like to emphasize to all activists is that there really wasn't that much work required to do the minimum to get Libertarians on the

ballot, to be able to vote for them and to actually get permanent ballot status for one district. So I urge everyone in the next election to try to do at least this minimum amount. Our party will grow in leaps and bounds in proportion to this minimal work.

Now, granted I actually did do a lot more. Since I wanted to assure ballot status, I helped Ralph Miron get signatures to be on the ballot, and also got some for Ken McCracken and myself. In the process I gathered 3500 signatures (1500 paid for by LIFBAC for our state slate) from president on down. If we had 100 activists pursuing the same strategy throughout the state, I am convinced that the Libertarian Party would become a household word in Illinois. Ballot status would be easily obtained for our gubernatorial race. And we would probably get permanent ballot status in a minimum of twenty five districts. It also seems reasonable to assume that as more Libertarian candidates are on the ballot in Illinois, that will help increase our vote totals in a geometric fashion. We will be perceived as a serious party with numerous people on the ballot. State party ballot status would be a realistic possibility.

Andre Marrou received three and a half times as many votes in my precinct (on a percentage basis) as he did in all of DuPage or the state for that matter. I believe that was due to having Libertarians to vote for in other races besides president, and also because of literature distribution in my precinct.

"All politics is local," is a familiar phrase and very true. We need to get involved locally—not only politically but in social organizations; letters to the editor, and in the neighborhood. To the extent we develop local contacts and run for office locally, district-wide, or county-wide is to the extent the Libertarian Party will become a serious party country-wide.

### Alternative Parties (from page 4)

- Elimination of the Federal Reserve
- Elimination of the Federal Income Tax and the IRS.
- Balancing the Budget
- Withdrawal of U.S. from U.N., World Bank, and other internationalist organizations
- Ending foreign aid
- Letting other countries pay for their own defense
- Restoration of the Fully Informed Jury
- Limiting the Federal Government to Constitutional functions
- Elimination of the Department of Education
- Establishment of educational choice
- Reducing or eliminating the FDA and the Department of Energy
- Repeal gun control laws and abolish BATF
- Eliminating welfare and other incentives for irresponsibility.

As you can see, we have much more in common with them than we have separating us. They differ with us on subjects like international trade, immigration, industrial policy, drugs, and some other subjects, but I think there are possibilities of working with

them. We do well at communicating our principles to urban and suburban educated white collar workers and intellectuals. We have failed to explain our ideas to these people.

We need to develop our explanations of free-market economics, free-trade, non-intervention, and tolerance of other lifestyles so that these people will understand that we mean these terms in their true sense, not the warped, distorted way the major parties use them and that these ideas are no threat to decent working people.

When they hear us say free trade, they probably think we mean free trade for the government subsidized monopolies like the Republicans mean. When they hear us say tolerance, they must think we mean to support the irresponsible like the Democrats mean.

If the Libertarian Party fails, it will be because we failed to attract working people like these who will get off their couch and get out and campaign for what they believe in.

Future elections should get more interesting as more people get disgusted with the two larger parties, and more new political parties and independent campaigns are started by both people with a vision and by ambitious opportunists.

### PEROT SAVES THE STATUS-QUO... for a few years.

by Christopher Maxwell

Early in this campaign, Andre Marrou released his campaign plan. One item in his plan was an acknowledgement that "there will always be an Anderson." This was a reference to the 1980 campaign, when Libertarians hoped the media would cover Ed Clark as the outsider candidate only to have the media focus on John Anderson, a Republican sore loser. The media repeatedly and erroneously referred to Anderson as a "third party" candidate.

Andre's prediction came true with a vengeance. This year the news media chose government-contract-billionaire and long time political activist and contributor Henry R. Perot as their featured "outsider." Again, they referred to Perot as a third party.

It must have been frightening for them before Perot entered the race. Voters had already rejected second-generation career politician Jerry Brown and long-time political columnist and Nixon speechwriter Pat Buchanan in their bids to be this year's official "outsider."

The Libertarian Party expected to make record-setting progress this year, and have an unprecedented opportunity to get our message before the public.

When Perot made his initial announcement of "willingness to serve" on the Larry King show, our phones almost stopped ringing. Many Americans who were unhappy with the status-quo jumped at the chance to support an "outsider" candidate who actually had a chance at winning the election.

The fact that Perot wouldn't say what he would do about the issues didn't prevent him from rocketing up in the polls, as Americans who were desperate for change grasped at this straw. At his peak, some polls showed Perot beating both President Bush and Democrat challenger Bill Clinton.

Many of Perot's objections to the present system were valid. Few of his supporters seemed to notice the irony of a man who has had both hands in the taxpayers' pockets since the 1950s suddenly discovering that the government is spending too much.

When Perot started talking about what he would do about the problems facing the United States, it became clear to most that this was not the thinking of an outsider they were hearing. Perot had a big-government solution in mind for any problem anybody could think of. He seemed to believe that his election would cause reform in Congress and the bureaucracy. He also seemed to believe that the same sort of programs that turn into hopeless boondoggles under anyone else would work just fine if he were in charge. What would happen after he left office was never considered.

In July, when Ross the Boss announced that he would not become a candidate, many Libertarians thought there might be a great opportunity to win over

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# Area Libertarians hit the campaign trail

By Stacy Sabadosh  
Staff Writer

Monday wasn't just the start of another busy week. It was the official beginning of a crucial political campaign.

Monday was the day Andrew Spiegel and Ralph Miron, along with several other government hopefuls, cracked down to Springfield to the petition signers, putting their names on the Illinois ballot.

Over the weekend, having any challenges made before Aug. 10, voters will get the chance to elect Spiegel as U.S. Senator for Illinois and Miron as U.S. Congressman for the 13th Congressional District.

Spiegel, a Wheaton attorney and Glen Ellyn resident, and Miron, a sales representative and Wheaton resident, are ready to change the world. Running as Libertarians, they think they can.

The Libertarian Party, the United States third largest political party, has provided voters an alternative to the two-party system since 1971. In this year of political frustration, Libertarians reportedly have gained support from backers of withdrawn presidential candidates H. Ross Perot.

Libertarians are a "real choice for a change," said Spiegel.



Steven I. Givoli/Libertarian  
Occupation: Consultant  
Education: S.B., Massachusetts Institute of Technology; M.Sc., London School of Economics; M.B.A., University of Chicago

Qualifications for office: I have an extensive background in management and program delivery. I have worked for several years in the governing bodies of various community organizations. I have also worked as a director of the second largest securities exchange in the United States. I hold a number of patents and am currently operating an university as a Trustee.

Local Libertarian Party candidates Ralph Miron and Andrew Spiegel.

## Diverse slant on the issues mark District 41 hopefuls

### House District 56

The candidates in House District 56 are split on the issue of family leave with the Libertarian and Democratic candidates opposing the measure and the Republican contender favoring a voluntary tax credit system.

Libertarian Candidate Stephen E. Berman said he could not support government mandated family leave policy.

"I don't think there should be any more regulations on business," Berman, 36, said. "I think most responsible businesses do provide leave for family emergencies or pregnancies."

Berman, an Arlington Heights resident, said he would not be in favor of a family leave policy that would be tied to tax breaks for business.

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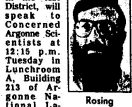
Julia Kennedy Beckman



Jim Edger was the featured guest at a reception for the Libertarian Party.

## Rosing joins state senate race

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ning's discussion with members of the medical community were health and related medical issues.

State Sen. Judy Baar Topinka, Republican running for reelection in the 22nd Senate District, has concluded that current state pension investment practices warrant further legislative oversight.

Topinka, who is co-chair of the Citizens Council on Economic Development, conducted the hearing Sept. 23 to examine the investment practices of the state's five public pension funds and management practices.

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## World Libertarians

ST. CHARLES—In a Sept. 16 front-page article on Hungary's FIDESZ political party, Linnet Myers describes the party as pro-free market on the economy and pro-individual on lifestyle issues, then suggests, "FIDESZ doesn't fit easily into any American political category."

It's ironic that the Tribune provides a serious, reasonable examination of a libertarian-style political movement halfway around the world, but does not afford the same coverage to the libertarian movement in the United States.

Libertarian presidential candidate Andre Marrou will be on the ballot in all 50 states and D.C. He's running a spirited, national campaign, bringing a consistent and principled defense of individual liberty to anyone who will listen.

Libertarian U.S. Senate candidate Andrew Spiegel provides a serious and well-reasoned counterpoint to the older party candidates here in Illinois. Is it not in the interest of the electorate to be informed of these choices?

Mark Smith

sen president Dorothy Ridings, who has completed the required political science, jurisprudence and economics courses on the commission on who eligible.

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## To Libertarian, Less Is More

By Margaret O'Donnell

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## Libertarians seek less government

By ROBERT GREEN  
The Northwest Herald

CRYSTAL LAKE — Bill Baruth is one of a number of McHenry County voters who are participating in the ballot for Republicans, Democrats or Ross Perot next Tuesday.

Instead, Baruth will vote for Libertarian Party candidates because they share his view that America needs less government and more liberty.

"I'm just tired of the government running my life and taking about 47 percent of my income for causes I don't believe in," said the Crystal Lake resident.

The Libertarian philosophy is all over the political spectrum, but usually can be described as conservative on economic issues, and liberal on social issues.

On the conservative side, Libertarians want to abolish the federal income tax, the Internal Revenue Service, foreign aid, welfare and affirmative action.

They are also against gun control and for school choice.

On the liberal side, Libertarians support abortion rights and pro-life legislation.

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## Libertarian's bid gets little notice

By JOYCE MCGOWAN  
Daily Herald Staff Writer

U.S. Senate candidate Carol Mosley Braun and Rick Williams both bid to win the 13th Congressional District seat in Illinois.

Williams, a 41-year-old Libertarian, says he proposed early on that the two meet to debate but received no response from Braun and a letter from Williams.

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"I feel all decisions should be made in the mind. At the moment, we are not about to abandon our former self."

Cremer said Haffner's charges show a "complete lack of understanding" of the values of the district, noting that IPA draws strongest membership here because of its battles with Springfield special interest lobbyists.

"His saying that she's too closely aligned to our position is like saying somebody is too closely aligned to the NAACP in the African-American community," responded Cremer to the charge.

"If there is any community that Public Action's position is reflected, it is the Evanston-Skokie community."

Haffner and Schakowsky, both Evanston residents, are vying for office in the newly created 18th legislative district. The district, drawn up during the latest legislative redrawing, contains heavily Democratic south Evanston, veers west to Skokie, and then north to Chicago's Rogers Park.

Theodore C. Beckman, a Chicago resident and a member of the Libertarian Party, is the third candidate.

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**The Perot Factor** (continued from page 7)

these people. Some of those who supported Perot just because he might hurt the two-party system did come over. But most of us who tried to contact the hard core Perot organizers were disappointed to find that most of them want the government to do even more than it is doing now.

Apparently, many of Perot's supporters believe the media stories and Democrat myths that the government hasn't been doing anything for the last twelve years.

Hard core Perot fans seem to think that more efficient government intervention in the economy and in world trade will solve the problems caused by government intervention in the economy and trade. They believe more efficient tax collection will solve the problems caused by taxes being too high in the first place. All Perot and his fans have to offer is more of the same kind of thinking that got us into this mess in the first place.

For an example of the efficiency we might have enjoyed under a Perot Administration, consider this. The Libertarian Party spent less than \$500,000 to get on the ballot in all 50 states. Mr. Super Efficient Capitalist Businessman Henry R. Perot and his grass roots volunteers spent over **TEN MILLION DOLLARS** to get on the ballot in all 50 states. Just the kind of performance we have come to expect from government contractors.

In the end, Perot cost the Libertarian Party in two ways. He received many votes from malcontent voters who might have voted for an alternative party because "none of the above" was not on the ballot. More importantly, he took enough of the anti-Bush vote away from Clinton to make the race between Bush and Clinton closer than it would have been. This caused many people to vote for either Bush or Clinton who would have voted for Andre Marrou if Clinton had been a sure winner.

Perot delayed the inevitable collapse of big government in the United States, but nothing can save a system that doesn't work. We did make good progress in state and local elections despite our disappointment with the results of the presidential election.

Perot or somebody like Perot will probably become a regular feature in presidential elections. We will concentrate on progress in the Congressional and state office elections held between the presidential elections when there will be no such distractions. The 1994 campaign started on November 4th.

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- Free minds**
- Tolerance**
- Restoration**
- Free markets**
- Non-intervention**
- Individual Freedom**
- Individual Responsibility**

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**Mission:** To educate Illinois citizens on their already existing right and power to judge not only the facts of the case but the law itself while sitting on juries and grand juries.

**What are Fully Informed Juries?**

The heritage of fully informed juries or the right to jury nullification as it is sometimes called, dates all the way back to the Magna Carta. It is our common law heritage that juries are the last arbiter of the law itself. Our founding fathers understood this and thus assured that right through the sixth and seventh amendments to the US Constitution.

Thomas Jefferson said it this way, "I consider trial by jury as the only anchor yet imagined by man by which a government can be held to the principles of its constitution." And John Adams, "It is not only his right, but his duty . . . to find the verdict according to his own best understanding, judgment, and conscience, though in direct opposition to the direction of the court."

First US Supreme Court Chief Justice and author of the Federalist Papers, John Jay, charged the jury in the first jury trial in front of the US Supreme Court, "It may not be amiss, here gentlemen, to remind you of the good old rule, that on questions of fact, it is the province of the jury, on questions of law it is the province of the court to decide. But it must be observed that by the same law, which recognizes this reasonable distribution of jurisdiction, you have nevertheless a right to take upon yourselves to judge of both and to determine the law as well as the fact in controversy . . . both objects are lawfully within your power of decision."

Georgia v. Brailsford 3 Dalles 1 (1792)

**The right of jury nullification is a magic bullet for individual liberty.**

Has it been used in the past? Yes!

- Fully informed juries refused to convict defendants during the 1850s who harbored runaway slaves.
- Violators of the Prohibition Amendment in the 1920s.
- Draft resisters in the 1960s.
- Tax resisters in the 1970s and 80s.

**The problem:** Judges today routinely and mistakenly inform jurors that they must apply the law in a given case as the judge instructs them to, even though the Supreme Court has ruled that jurors do have the right of "jury lawlessness." The Court unfortunately ruled that jurors need not to be told of this power.

**The Solution: Education**

Starting in February, to support its mission, Illinois FIJA will:

- distribute a monthly newsletter.
- print and help distribute brochures to inform prospective jurors of their nullification right.
- set up a speakers bureau to further educate Illinois citizens.
- issue periodic press releases concerning fully informed juries.
- lobby the state legislature to initiate an amendment to the Illinois Constitution that would instruct judges to inform jurors of this right.

**Help make fully informed juries a reality in Illinois.**

**Join Illinois FIJA.**

Membership includes a monthly newsletter that will keep members informed of the latest developments of FIJA. The newsletter will also be a forum on how to best achieve our goals. And it will include valuable historical information on jury nullification.

Do you believe in individual liberty and the responsibility that goes with it?

**Join the FIJA movement today!**

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## Ballot Access Report

### What LIFBAC Does for You as an LPI Member

by Steve Reed, Secretary, LIFBAC

You aren't a friend of the IRS—that seems obvious, or you wouldn't be reading this newsletter. You also are a supporter of the Libertarian Party of Illinois with your hard-earned money and leisure time.

Consider this: Would you want the LPI—always short of hands to do its political tasks—to have to find people to prepare tax returns and the money to pay income taxes each year?

How about reports every three months to the State Board of Elections? And how about providing many levels of bureaucrats with complete reports on every financial detail of party operations?

Or how about this: If a paid ballot petitioner turns in a batch of falsified signatures, is miffed at not being paid, and files a lawsuit, would you want to be partly liable for paying for lawyers to defend the party, since you are an LPI member?

#### LIFBAC Insulates the Party

Don't worry, though. You ought to be insulated from these burdens in being a member of LPI—and to a great extent you are. LIFBAC has been established since 1976 that helps take care of these concerns, and insulates the party from the legal and financial burdens for ballot status in Illinois.

That organization is a political action committee (PAC) called the Libertarian Fair Ballot Access Committee, or LIFBAC. You've seen many references to LIFBAC in fundraising letters, at our state conventions, and in this newsletter. You deserve to know in some detail about this organization.

LIFBAC helped the LPI's candidates gain state-wide ballot status in 1992 at a cost of about 60 cents per signature. That is down from a cost of \$1.00 per signature in 1988—and a savings of \$13,000. Many LPI and LIFBAC activists have gained expertise that is saving the libertarian movement a great deal of money.

Why have a separate entity for this? Why have some other non-LPI group that takes our checks? Because LIFBAC is in a position under Illinois and Federal law to take many different burdens off the back of the LPI. It frees us as LPI members to get the word out about our philosophy and our programs.

#### What LPI Would Have to Do Without LIFBAC

Political parties that don't have permanent ballot status have a vague and fuzzy status under Illinois law. (As well as in what most of them stand for... but you knew that.) In the law's phrase, they are "miscellaneous other organizations" that don't have to file State Board of Elections reports.

Can such parties legally donate to their candidates' campaigns? It's a murky subject that still needs to be litigated. What about general efforts to comply with the law, such as petitioning to get ballot status? The LPI could do this itself. But unless we did it entirely with volunteer labor and donations in kind of material—and

you know how hard that would be—LPI would have a truckload of restrictions and rules dumped on it:

- All individual contributions and all expense payments over \$150 in a year would have to be reported to the State Board of Elections, and an individual would be limited to \$1000 of donations per year.
- For federal campaigns, several completely different—and confusing—limitations and reporting requirements apply.
- The party would have to file its very own type of tax return, called Form 1120 POL, and any petitioner (or other person) earning over \$600 from the LPI would have to be given a Form 1099 to allow a report to Uncle on April 15.
- And let's not forget a large stack of quarterly, semi-annual, or annual reports that would have to go to the State Board, the Federal Election Commission, and other agencies.

Nice, eh? Wouldn't you rather have our LPI officers spending their time and your dues on a better newsletter, on educational literature, on supporting local clubs and campus reps, on funding street-fair booths? Many of the past LPI officers thought so.

#### LIFBAC Takes On the Burdens

LIFBAC can take on the burdens of petition drive every other year with far fewer burdens than the LPI would have. LIFBAC is registered as a PAC with the Illinois and Federal governments. It can, as it has told the State Board, "organize and finance petition collection for Libertarian Party candidates" and "lobby for changes in Illinois ballot access laws."

LIFBAC does have to handle paperwork for all of this—but only for matters of ballot access. If the Illinois party took this on, all LPI business would become part of public records that anyone could look at! LIFBAC keeps the bureaucrats' prying to a minimum under the law, and insulates the LPI and its members from giving up more of their privacy.

We could also, legally, make use of LIFBAC to organize and finance campaigns for individual candidates. But because of other requirements, it's better to have a separate, formally organized campaign committee if a candidate actively seeks outside donors.

(LIFBAC provided some money before the 1992 LPI State Convention to assist with paperwork and setup costs for the Grenke for Congress campaign and for some local costs of the Marrou/Lord presidential campaign. This money, about \$900, made use of the residue from the 1990 ballot drive. It also required LIFBAC to file a sheaf of paperwork with the FEC! Since LIFBAC isn't legally well suited to providing campaign support, it no longer will be doing so, even indirectly. All money raised in 1992—and then some—was used solely for ballot access. See the table that accompanies this article.)

Illinois Libertarians also have a ready-made conduit, with LIFBAC, for help from the National LP Ballot Access Committee. They helped our 1992 petition drive with over \$6,000 in direct cash and by paying

thousands of dollars in other expenses for several groups of traveling paid petitioners. With such money being sent through LIFBAC, the LP donors elsewhere are given more assurance that the money they give to the National BAC will go directly to help Illinois get on the ballot—and thus indirectly help the 50-state effort in presidential years.

Finally, LIFBAC provides a partial shield for LPI against claims of liability in carrying out petition drives. The party is not, and cannot be, a corporation. All members could potentially be jointly liable for its actions. The LPI was sued once, several years ago, in a matter arising from a member being charged with violating the membership pledge. Even though LPI won its case, it was pretty expensive for the officers and other named members in the suit, who took on the expenses involved.

Paid petition drives are the times when we deal most with people not affiliated with the LPI. They have their own potential pitfalls, such as disputes over compensation or independent-contractor status for petitioners. LIFBAC helps shield the LPI from all of these concerns.

#### A Long Cooperative Effort

LIFBAC is legally independent of the LPI—but the two have nonetheless had a long and close association. LIFBAC had used the party's post office box and mailing permit for many years (until recently, when logistics made separate arrangements easier to handle). The past chairs of the LPI have traditionally taken up positions as officers of LIFBAC, including yours truly and Sue Walton, the current LIFBAC chair.

LIFBAC has several LPI members on its board, assisting with that paperwork that LPI shouldn't have to worry about. If you want to get involved, you are more than welcome to express your interest and participate—no secrets are involved, as some have mistakenly felt about LIFBAC recently. LIFBAC does appoint its own board members as an ongoing committee, but any interested LPI member is welcome to seek membership or attend meetings.

Our LIFBAC work has come to its alternate-year hiatus, now that the state and national LP candidates have been listed on the 1992 ballot. If LIFBAC had any notable money left over, it would be kept to earn interest for the 1994 ballot drive—or would be available to make mailings possible to urge LPI members to lobby for support of beneficial ballot access bills (as we have heard some state legislators are thinking about introducing). But we gauged our expenses carefully this year, and only a small amount is left to keep our bank account open.

Those of us involved in LIFBAC look forward to being able to help the Libertarian ballot access cause again in 1994. It'll take us that long to get rested up!

## LIFBAC Income and Expenses for the 1992 Ballot Drive:

### A Summary for LPI Members

by Steve Reed, Secretary, LIFBAC 11-12-92

During this ballot drive season, the amount of funds raised from the generosity of Illinois libertarians almost equaled the amount paid in cash to well over 50 petitioners.

The donation that LIFBAC received from the LP National Ballot Access Committee thus paid—almost—for the additional expenses of printing petitions, making fundraising mailings, keeping everyone involved in touch by phone, printing some material for parade petitioning, paying for some petitioners' motel rooms and plane tickets . . . and a few dollars to feed the late-night crews that assembled and notarized the petitions.

(National's cash donation to LIFBAC was in addition to another huge amount of petitioner expenses—food, transportation, and shelter, mostly—that National arranged and paid for directly. We estimate those costs to be at least another \$6,000 to \$7,000.)

You can see some of the summarized details of this year's huge effort in the figures below and in the two bar graphs.

LIFBAC funds on January 1, 1992	\$ 1,150
(This money remained from the 1990 ballot drive)	
Candidate campaign assistance	
(Office expense and fees help, Grenke and Marrow)	
Donation by the Libertarian Party of Illinois	300
LIFBAC funds unrelated to 1992 ballot drive	582
Total income during the 1992 ballot drive (From March through August)	22,291
Total expenses for the 1992 ballot drive (Includes expenses due after petition turn-in)	(22,674)
LIFBAC funds on November 1, 1992	\$199

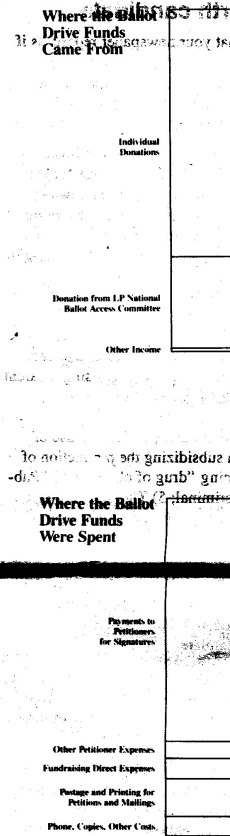
#### Income during the ballot drive:

Individual donations	\$16,141	72%
Donation from National Ballot Access Committee	\$6,000	27%
Interest and miscellaneous income	\$150	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,291</b>	

#### Expenses during the ballot drive:

Payments to petitioners for signatures (To more than 50 individuals)	\$16,316	72%
Other expenses for paid petitioners (Motel rooms, airfares, gas expense, CTA)	1,045	5%
Commissions for phone fundraisers (Paid a percentage of what is collected)	900	4%
Mailing service for sending fundraising letters (needed to free up to 50M. & visit persons for petitioning)	470	2%
Postage for fundraising thank-you notes, other letters	1,384	6%
Printing of petitions, fundraising letters, envelopes, and miscellaneous items	1,212	5%
Telephone, photocopy, and bank account costs (Included an inward 800 line to save money)	842	4%
Parade, crew food, and other miscellaneous costs. (Many small expenses not shown elsewhere)	505	2%

**Total Expenses** \$22,674  
**LIFBAC funds on Nov. 1, 1992** \$199.08



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## Letters to the Editor

The Daily Herald, October 17, 1992

### A fourth candidate

It's [a] shame that your newspaper reports as if there are only three national candidates for president. There are four candidates for president who are on the ballot in all 50 states. You do not cover Andre Marrou and the Libertarian Party.

It is a shame because of what the candidates of the Republicans and Democrats have done for us. Federal, state and local governments are now regulating all sorts of aspects of our lives and consuming nearly 50 percent of our national income and what do we get for this—1) An economy that is battling to provide goods and services for consumers while at the same time is required to satisfy the governments' insatiable need to spend and regulate—by the way governments produce no consumer goods or services; 2) A welfare system that encourages dependence, discourages initiative, encourages single parent families and discourages parental responsibility; 3) An unbelievably profitable market in drugs, while spending billions of dollars to prohibit the use of those drugs and then subsidizing the production of the most life threatening "drug of choice"; 4) "Public housing" that is criminal; 5) The huge savings and loan insurance scam; 6) A monopoly in primary quality; and many more.

is based on freedom, personal responsibility and the principles which freedom loving people around the world are trying to emulate.

On election day we can vote for more of the same or we can vote Libertarian.

Bill and Jeanette Muench

Barrington

The Star, Sept. 27, 1992

To the Editor:

Republican Central Committee member Fred Pehrson's letter to *The Star* Sept. 13, lamenting the perennial low voter turnout, questioning voter apathy and exhorting people to register and vote, displays a familiar theme in the media as the November election approaches. While few would argue with the validity of the points that the letter raises, nevertheless one important contributing factor to voter apathy is omitted: ballot access laws.

Ballot access laws, not required by the U.S. Constitution but passed at the behest of the two major political parties, make it very difficult for independent and third-party candidates to get on the ballot. These candidates must obtain enough valid petition signatures within a short period of time that will satisfy the election commissioners' requirement (for example, 25,000 for a statewide office) and a margin of signatures beyond the minimum requirement so that the petition can survive any challenges by contenders. Even if ballot status is achieved by this grueling process, the

## Club and Party News

### Libertarian Radio Talk Show in Peoria!

Peoria Libertarians Greg James and Scott Tillman have purchased time on WTAZ radio in Peoria for a half-hour afternoon talk show that they will host. It will be on at 2:00 PM on Saturdays. They will discuss the whole spectrum of libertarian topics but will focus on the loss of individual rights from the drug war. This is a great opportunity for Libertarians in the Peoria area. Scott and Greg are trying to sell advertising to pay for the show. Radio ad rates in Peoria are cheap! Call Greg for details, 1-309-691-9382.

### Petition Signatures Due February 8

Municipal, township, and park district elections in Illinois will take place on April 20, 1993. Libertarian activists are urged to take part. These are the kind of elections that we can win. Petition signatures are due on the ballot are due on February 8. Many of these elections run unopposed. For help and further information, contact elected township supervisor Paul Szlander at 815-539-7839. Act now.

### Candidate(s) Wanted:

Better Cities Committee of Illinois (BCCI), in conjunction with its National Geogist Affiliate, COMMON GROUND, U.S.A. is looking for people to run for the Cook County Board in 1994. If you are interested, please contact Campaign Manager Chuck Metalitz at 708-864-6792.

### Ballot obstacles

non-major party candidates then find that they have little resources remaining with which to mount an effective campaign. As a result, few candidates outside the two major parties gain ballot status.

While many voters are content to be limited to major-party sanctioned candidates, an increasing number of voters resent the limited choice, see no point in voting, and drop out of participating in the political process. This year's Perot phenomenon shows that this voting block may be very substantial indeed.

Abolishing ballot access laws and restoring competition to the polling place will do more to increase voter turnout than periodic articles and letters on voter apathy.

Stephen Pilewski

Homewood

### LPI State Convention Announced

The Libertarian Party of Illinois' annual state convention will take place on April 16 through 18, at the Quality Inn, in Arlington Heights, IL.

Featured speaker at the Saturday night banquet will be Dr. Mary Ruwart, author of the acclaimed new libertarian outreach book, *Healing our World*. Mary ran for the Libertarian nomination of president in 1984, and for vice president in 1991. Dr. Ruwart is one of the most respected individuals in the libertarian community.

Also speaking will be Bumper Hornberger, president of the Future of Freedom Foundation. Friday (outreach) night, Barry Dodge, director of the Fully Informed Jury Association, will speak.

The LPI's Annual meeting will be on Saturday morning 8-12 AM.

Sunday will be devoted to candidates and campaigns.

Nomos Press will hold a tenth anniversary party on Friday night of the convention.

For more information on the convention, contact Convention Committee Chair Jeanette Muench at 708-381-2369.

### DuPage County Libertarian Organizational Meeting Planned

A meeting to elect Libertarian township committeeman in Downers Grove Township, Lisle, Milton, and York will occur at Ken Prazak's house on Monday January 11, at 7:30 PM. The Libertarian Party has official ballot status in these townships due to Ken McCracken's 12% of the vote in the 39th representative district. These townships include the towns of Wheaton, Glen Ellyn, Lisle, Downers Grove, Westmont, Oak Brook, and Lombard. All interested should contact Ken at 810-1974 for address and directions.

### Lenny Grom on the Ballot

Lenny Grom of Crystal Lake has obtained enough signatures to get on the ballot for city council of Crystal Lake. Lenny is a long time activist of the LPI and is the founder and a member of the McHenry County Libertarian Club. If you would like to help with his campaign, call Lenny at 815-455-5660.

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How happy were you November 4, 1992? Do you want to see something different in November 1994?

Sure, I could put together some pretty good candidate training sessions from within the Libertarian Party.

But world class training would be better. We need it. We gotta have it to win.

It's what our competitors get. Democratic and Republican Party organizations and candidates invest resources in training because it works. We need it so we know what our competitors are planning for November 1994. Government party leaders regularly schedule training for workers, managers, and candidates. They don't want any of their people to get blindsided in a bitter election battle just because they weren't up-to-the-minute on campaign technique and technology.

Campaigns and Elections is a Washington-based magazine and professional training organization for political parties, managers, and candidates. Here's a press clipping that tells the story better than I can.

*National Journal* (May 1990)

Jim Campbell, who is running for governor of Alaska, helped prepare for his Republican primary campaign by attending a three-day seminar in Sacramento . . . "It scared the hell out of me, finding out what your competition can and will do," Campbell said later. "Campaigning is like running a business, and it's certainly becoming more of a science. But that's the way it's going, and you better be on top of it . . . more and more people connected with campaigns—from the candidates to their low-level aides—are attending seminars . . . Campaigns are too sophisticated for challengers to compete on their own" without help from consultants, said Jennifer Kestler, who as political editor and senior director of Campaigns and Elections magazine oversees the largest non-partisan campaign management company in Washington . . . Kestler's company has helped organize more than 200 seminars per year . . . each of them attended by 100-400 campaign workers and candidates. Each seminar was conducted by more than 65 consultants paid by Campaigns and Elections . . . For \$500, students could listen to experts on fund raising, budgeting, advertising strategy designing, direct mail and grass-roots vote-getting.

C&E clients include the Democratic National Committee and the Republican National Committee, the Sigma Club, Solidarity, IIS Chamber of Commerce, Communication Workers of America, American Nurses Association, National Association of Home Builders, National Association of Letter Carriers, National Association of Manufacturers, and Philip Morris.

I have a proposal from C&E to produce a customized two day intensive training seminar for Libertarian Party candidates, party leaders, managers, and workers, organized around the theme "Get Elected to a State Legislature". Topics included will be party building at the grassroots level, "Earned Media", local fundraising, ballot access, and—most curious to me—*credibility as a third party candidate*. Everybody leaves the event with a customized manual based on the presentation. C&E will bring ten top-notch political consultants and 2 staff members to Salt Lake City for the event—people with a track record of winning elections.

All of the above is the good news. If you went to one of C&E's regular seminars, you'd pay upwards of \$500.00.

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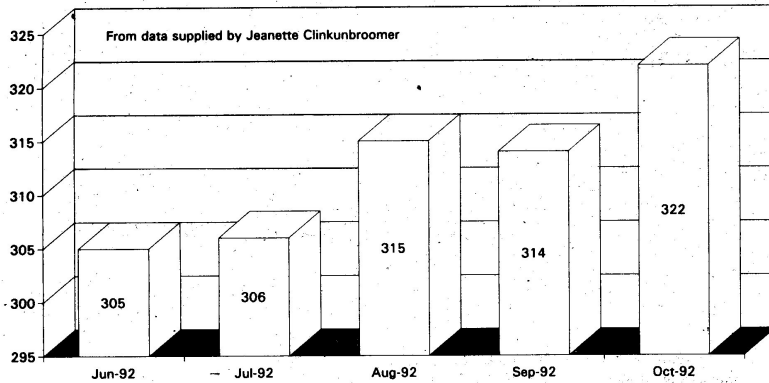
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January 3

- **McHenry County Libertarian Club**, Sunday evening, 6:00 PM, meets first Sunday of every month. Call Lenny Grom for more details, at 815-455-5660.

January 4

- **DuPage Libertarian Club**, Monday, 6:30 PM, at the Fox Restaurant, Ogden and Main St., Lisle, IL. Meets first Monday of every month, same place and time. For more info: Steve Nelson, 708-969-1088.

January 11

- **DuPage County Libertarian Organizational Meeting**, Monday, 7:30 PM. Election of committeemen. All Libertarians in Milton, Lisle, York, and Downers Grove Townships (39th representative district) are welcome to attend. Call Ken Prazak at 810-1974 for more details and address.

January 14

- **North Cook County Libertarian Club**, Thursday, at the Henry George School, 1772 W. Greenleaf, Chicago, IL. Contact Bill Judson, 708-475-3746 for more information.

January 16

- **State Organizing Committee Meeting**, Saturday noon, in a southwest suburb. Any LPI member is welcome to attend. Only members of the committee may vote. For location, call State Chair Mike Dixon at 708-409-1044.

January 19

- **Northwest Libertarian Club**, Tuesday, 7:00 PM for dinner, 8:00 PM for program, at the Silver Stallion Restaurant, 1275 Lee/Mannheim Rd., (one quarter block south of Algonquin Rd) Des Plaines, IL. Contact Jeanette Clinkunbroomer, 708-966-0565, for more information.

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