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Clark County Party Will Sponsor Tax Protest

by LPCC Acting Chairman Chris Azzaro

The Libertarian Party of Clark County is planning an April tax protest and a demonstration. First, there will be a demonstration against our favorite 'IRS friends' on Saturday, April 15, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the IRS local headquarters at 4750 West Oakey (at Decatur). On the following Monday, April 17 (Deadline Day for tax mailing), from 5:00 PM to 11:00 PM a protest will be held at the Post Office Main Terminal at 1001 E. Sunset Road, to coincide with the appearance of the many 'last-minute' filers.

It is important now, more than in any previous year, to emphasize that there is a realistic chance to actually eliminate the IRS! For the first time ever, mainstream politicians are lining up to jump on our Libertarian bandwagon! Let's keep the ball rolling and stop the IRS in its tracks, while the iron is hot!

For 25 years, ONLY Libertarians have been proposing the elimination of the IRS. Now is the time to demonstrate that it can really happen. We can stop the theft of taxpayer income once and for all. It's time to show Clark County citizens that the Libertarian Party has been the sole consistent and principled voice for abolishing the IRS and the dreaded income tax.

The Federal income tax is the most hated tax, and the IRS is the most feared Big Brother government agency, in American history. That should be reason enough to get rid of both of them.

Let's take that a step further. Abolish the IRS, repeal the income tax, sell off the IRS buildings, burn the tax records, release all tax protesters and declare a National Holiday on April 15th!

Tax protests in the past have been very successful, and we urge everyone to join us in these major media events. Please help us get widespread media attention for this effort. Here's how:

Send letters to the R-J and the Sun to let people know how you feel about your beloved Big Brother IRS, and mention the plans for the Libertarian protests. Fax your letters to the R-J at 383-0302 and to the Sun at 383-7264, or mail them to the R-J at 1111 West Bonanza, LV 89106, and to the Sun at 800 S. Valley View Blvd., LV 89107.

Call the local television stations and ask them if they are going to send reporters. The number for Channel 8 is 792-8888, Channel 3 is 642-3333, and Channel 13 is 876-1313. In each case, ask for the assignment editor.

The more people who show up for these two major events, the better it will be! Call your friends and neighbors and ask them if they love the IRS; if not, ask them if they would like to do something about it by joining you in saying NO!

If you need a ride, or would like more information, call me at 651-6955.

New Officers for LPCC and Executive Committee

Following the resignation of Libertarian Party of Clark County Chair Bob Days for medical reasons, Chris Azzaro has been appointed to serve as County Chair for the remainder of Bob's term of office. Chris is eager to establish a high level of participation and activity for the County Party, and all southern Nevada libertarians are urged to attend the LPCC meetings (see Calendar on back page) and/or to contact Chris at 651-6955.

Jim Lee, who was recently appointed to a seat on the Pahrump Town Council, Bill Kenyon, founding head of the Desert Libertarian Club, and Calvin Nash, who for many years was a representative for the Nathaniel Branden Institute, have been elected to fill vacancies on the LPN Executive Committee.

From the Chair

Hit'em Where They Ain't

by State Chairman Jim Burns

Most libertarians probably will agree that the Libertarian Party's Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates are unlikely to win the general election of 1996. In fact, they probably will lose in a big way. It is possible, however, to lose an election and still win it! If the LP will adopt limited, but precisely defined, goals for '96, and if those goals are achieved, we can win — even if we lose. The "Hit'em Where They Ain't" strategy is founded on that premise.

During each presidential primary election campaign, the various Republican and Democratic contenders for the nomination of their respective parties literally blanket the country with their message and their presence, paying personal visits to all, or nearly all, of the fifty states. When the general election campaign begins, however, it is a horse of a different color. You will see the major Republican and Democratic contenders in California, New York, Illinois and other states with large populations (and, therefore, large blocs of electoral votes). But you will seldom see them in low-population states, such as New Hampshire, Alaska and Nevada. If the LP focused its presidential campaign on a single, low-population state (such as Nevada), we could do

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more than have an impact on the election in that state — WE COULD WIN IT!

The state of Nevada has less than 1.5 million people; of those, more than 70% (over one million) are located in southern Nevada's Clark County, with virtually all of that number concentrated in metropolitan Las Vegas. This constitutes a single, unified media market, with only one major newspaper and only three television stations of any significance! Our candidates would be able to maintain a steady stream of TV commercials, radio spots and newspaper ads to keep their images constantly before the electorate. They could hold functions throughout the area on a daily basis, meeting the voters, addressing their problems, and articulating the libertarian philosophy in detail.

The libertarian philosophy makes a lot of sense, *when a person has time to think about it.* In national campaigns, however, the average voter is exposed, at best, to no more than a few six-second sound bites from the LP candidates. This is not enough! Our candidates should have a chance to articulate our philosophy in a meaningful way, which requires more than six seconds.

Nevada, and Clark County in particular, have another significant advantage as a battleground for the Hit'em Where They Ain't strategy. It should be possible to persuade a substantial number of libertarians in other parts of the country to spend their election year vacation in "The Entertainment Capital of the World," and to devote a part of that vacation time to volunteer work for the LP campaign. We should be especially successful in drawing large numbers of volunteers from the

strong and healthy libertarian movement in southern California, which is only a few hours' drive from Las Vegas. With a little networking and coordination, it should be possible to have a solid base of fresh and enthusiastic volunteers for the effort throughout the entire campaign.

Of course, if our candidates won in Nevada, that would be only four electoral votes. But what a punch those four votes could deliver! On election night, the news — and it would be news! — would be splashed across all three TV networks, for an entire evening, with virtually all of the nation's voters, in a rare state of political focus, watching the show! The message would be unmistakably clear: Libertarians can win!

I truly believe that the Hit'em Where They Ain't strategy is a blueprint for victory, a meaningful and worthwhile victory that can lead us to many more victories in the future. The time is now, and the place is Nevada. Let's do it!

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The Libertarian Party of Nevada will hold its annual Convention June 9th and 10th at the Palace Station on Sahara near the I-15 Freeway. Do you have any ideas? Do you want to help? Call us at 642-4165 after 12:30pm.

Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead.

-Louisa May Alcott

Freedom, which is of the human essence, implies the possibility of producing error as well as finding truth. To achieve a good society requires men unremittingly devoted to the pursuit of good and truth: but it requires also that no one have the power to impose beliefs by force upon other men — and this whether those beliefs be true or false.

-Frank Meyer

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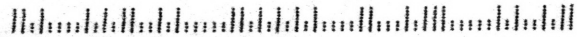
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LIBERTY CALENDAR

Monday, March 27, 7:00 pm

Libertarian Party of Nevada
Libertarian Leadership Council

The Libertarian Party of Nevada and the Libertarian Leadership Council hold joint meetings on the fourth Monday of every month at Denny's Restaurant at 2201 W. Sahara Ave., at the corner of Rancho Dr., across the street from Palace Station.

March and April

Libertarian Party of Washoe County
Reno Libertarian Club
Sparks Libertarian Club

These northern Nevada groups hold irregular meetings. For information on the time, place and agenda of the next meeting, contact LPN Vice-Chairman Ernest Walker at 359-6754 or the Washoe Co. LP Vice-Chairman Jim Clark at 359-4100 (days) or 825-1654 (home).

Monday, April 3, 8:00 pm

NORML Meeting

The Las Vegas Chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws meets on the first Monday of each month at Cafe Copioh (on Maryland Parkway across from UNLV).

Monday, April 3, 7:00 pm

Nye County Convention

The Nye County Convention will be held in Room B of the Pahump Community Center, just off Highway 160. All registered LP voters are urged to attend.

Monday, April 10, 7:00 pm

Libertarian Party of Clark County

The Clark County LP holds regular meetings on the second Monday of every month at the Palace Station Denny's Restaurant at 2201 W. Sahara Ave., at the corner of Rancho Dr. This month, the featured speaker will be **Las Vegas Mayor Jan Laverty Jones**, and her topic will be "Individual Liberty."

Wednesday, April 12, 6:00 pm

The Desert Libertarian Club

Holds monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at Denny's Restaurant (on Maryland Parkway across from Sunrise Hospital) in Las Vegas.

Saturday, April 15, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Monday, April 17, 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Tax Protest Demonstrations

The Libertarian Party of Clark County will hold protest demonstrations in Las Vegas at the IRS headquarters and at the US Postal Service Main Terminal. For details, see article on front page.

Monday, May 8, 7:00 pm

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