

Libertarian Lifeline



EBLP Tax Protest makes Local Headlines

Dateline 4/18 Fremont Argus Newspaper
**Libertarians protest Tax Day,
hand out lollipops to 'suckers'**

By Christine
Shirley



Freedom Fighters: Natalie Werlwas, Jeffery Sommer & Sean Patchen

minute tax filers Monday evening with a question:

"Do you feel like a sucker?"

Two local Libertarian candidates (Mark Werlwas & Howard Mora) and a small crew of volunteers distributed free lollipops to

waiting taxpayers at Fremont's main

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STAFFWRITER

Libertarian party members met last-

Gorman for President

Who is Don Gorman?

"I'm a real politician. I served four terms in the New Hampshire State Legislature, two as a Libertarian and two (before I knew better) as a Republican. I earned the respect of my Democratic-Republican colleagues. I got real legislation passed into law.

I'm an executive. I was Master of a 1600-ton ocean-going tug. I've been responsible for hundreds of lives. I sailed to Africa and the Middle East. I dealt with foreign bureaucrats and foreign customs: communists, dictators *** I've dealt with them all.

Americans demand their President be a politician and an executive. They accept no substitute. To be President, you've got to have real political experience. You've got to have real executive experience.

I've got both. I've been elected.

I've made life and death decisions.

I'm our only Presidential candidate with those credentials."

MY STANDS ON THE ISSUES?

**I completely support the entire
Libertarian Party national platform.**

The War on Drugs endangers you, turn-

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Notes from the Chair...

“Educated for generations to believe that redistribution of wealth and the heavy hand of federal ‘guidance’ toward nice sounding goals of ‘equality’ are the natural way of things, the vast mass of the American public, particularly in the Northeast and southern California, won’t get it until taxmen and federal judges and DEA agents swing from every lamppost and the trains bearing beef and wheat as tribute from subject states simply stops arriving.”
Vin Suprynowicz, editor of Las Vegas Review-Journal

I have been researching a phenomena called “The Sagebrush Rebellion”. It is a massive, rural non-compliance with federal authorities by grassroots citizens and/or county politicians. This is too long a subject for this medium... however, remember this, there are counties (6-12) throughout the west whose Sheriffs have made their counties ‘no-go’ zones to the Feds... Most Bureau of Land Management (BLM) employees dress at work, fearful to riding on desolate highways alone in their BLM uniforms... Counties in Nevada have started to tear up or place roads on BLM land over the Feds armed objection. (result: Nye County locked up several BLM agents in the hoosgow over the weekend.)... in southern Utah President Clinton and Secretary Babbitt are regularly burned in effigy...

It sometimes seems like we are alone or that Libertarians are not moving forward. Like the surfer who sits on his board and waits for the wave that doesn’t seem to come.

Well, I’m here to tell you that even as the surfer doesn’t (at first) feel the subtle drop of receding water (drawn back to form the wave) or notice the beginning’s of the logarithmic increase in height as the swell preceding the wave approaches, all lovers of liberty are in the position of that surfer... and people... that wave is coming. We can’t stop it

(waves and Statist thugs are not going to listen and learn... or they wouldn’t be what they are). What we can do is alert the other surfers that there is a wave and how best to shoot the pier.

We must develop our will and our means. Will is developed through belief and discipline. Means through training and learning.

Most of us can learn the means... the on going education, networking and events provide that opportunity. Will is more complex... historically only 3% of us will rise to the challenge. Remember that 3% has always been responsible for the leaps forward... always! One general example is our own revolution started on 19 April 1775... while the armed ‘ambush’ of Crown law-enforcement officials was only supported by 30 –35% of the general population it was the 10% of those supporters who came forward and did something to whom we now owe our liberty. Though, I for one, must admit I would be ashamed to have any colonial-era patriot see what I’ve let occur to their legacy.

Without the will to commit to the ‘ride’ or the skill to use your ‘board’ you will perish in the ‘wave.’

I’m in a good position... for me ‘statism’ and tyranny are

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Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have

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post office as the federal tax deadline approached.



Howard Mora

"After paying their taxes, most people do feel like suckers," said Mark Werlwas, one of the protest organizers and Libertarian candidate for the 20th District State Assembly seat.

Local members of the party were joining a Libertarian tradition that occurs each Tax

Day at post offices around the country. In the East Bay, protests were planned in Fremont, Concord and Oakland.

Libertarians believe in reducing government size and limiting or eliminating taxes. More than 900 registered Libertarians live in and around Fremont, Werlwas said. Nationwide, the party has 180 members holding office and Libertarians regularly challenge the larger parties elections.

One volunteer, Werlwas's daughter Natalie, 21, wore a plastic trashcan and a sign reading: "I threw my money away. I should have voted Libertarian." Volunteers also handed out party literature with the lollipops, including fliers headlined, "You were robbed!"

If somebody's taking your money and threatening you with force, essentially that's the definition of robbery," Werlwas said. "What we're encouraging is modifying the tax system so people can choose if they'll pay."



Natalie and Mark Werlwas

KFRC and KOHL radio stations broadcast live from that bustling scene during peak postal hours. Several restaurants, including Chili's and Dominoes, gave away free food samples at the post office. Krispy Kreme doughnut certificates were given out to some lucky taxpayers. While Union City tax filers received those unconditional goodies, visitors to Fremont's post office still faced a question for their lollipops. So did the taxpayers have to admit to feeling suckered by the government in order to get their sweet reward?

"We give them the lollipop, anyway," Werlwas said. "They deserve it for all they've been through."

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ing users into muggers and robbers. Warrantless searches? Gun control? Silencing legalization advocates? Civil forfeiture. You name a freedom. The War on Drugs endangers it.

I'm going to Waco. My position is Never Again! will American army tanks kill American women. Never Again! will American army tanks kill American children.

Never Again! will American army tanks kill American infants. Never Again!

Foreign policy: The Constitution says only Congress may declare war.

Government is too big! There's no better example than the Department of Education, which has zero Constitutional basis.

Second Amendment: I'm 100% in favor of the Right to Keep and Bear Arms. Period.

I'll always tell you the truth. In 2000, I'll be there to help other Libertarians win. In 2000, I'll be there to strengthen local Parties, so we can win in the future. In 2000, I'll be there to strengthen local candidates running winnable campaigns.

HOW CAN YOU HELP ME?

If you're a delegate, I need votes in Anaheim. Call me at: 603-463-7771 or email: taylorgorman@juno.com.

Contributions can be sent to:

Gorman For President P.O. Box 94, Deerfield NH 03037.

I will voluntarily report how I spent *YOUR* money, both to LP News and my web site. Reporting is what proper leadership demands -- whether the FEC requires it or not -- and I will give you proper leadership.

Don Gorman

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evil. I will not compromise with evil. I will not cower to lick the jackboots. And I will NOT give up my means to destroy evil.

On 10 June 2000 @ 10 AM there will be a shoot at Martinez Gun Club... call me for any questions @ (925) 980-4789. The match will be pistol and/or shotgun with a BBQ... \$35 is prereg fee which includes everything (even BBQ). See flyer with details.

Sic Semper Tyrannis

SCamp

Editors note: The LP and EBLP have not voted to endorse "The Sagebrush Rebellion" or the lynching of Federal Judges & tax collectors. Q:->

Gomnit Skool

After recess, Ms. Govern, 4th Grade teacher at PS 36 asks a pupil; "Demo, what did you play with on the playground today?"

Demo replies; "I played in the sandbox."

Ms. Govern; "Demo, if you come to the chalkboard and spell 'SAND' correctly then you get a cookie."

Demo does.

Ms. Govern; "Repub, what did you play with on the playground today?"

Repub; "I played with Demo in the sandbox."

Ms Govern; "Repub, if you come to the chalkboard and spell 'BOX' correctly then you get a cookie."

Repub does.

Ms. Govern; "Liberty, what did you play with on the playground today?"

Liberty; "I wanted to play in the sandbox too but Demo and Repub threw rocks at me and called me names."

Ms Govern; "I'm shocked! That is blatant political discrimination! Liberty, if you come to the chalkboard and spell 'BLATANT POLITICAL DISCRIMINATION' correctly then you get a cookie."

The story is supposed to stop there but the jokes on them,,,

LIBERTY WILL!!!

On the Campaign Trail with Frank Manske

Swimming with the sharks.

On Monday 4/3, Assembly Candidate **Frank Manske** appeared on NPRadio KALW 'The Information Station' in San Francisco. *City Visions with Rose Levinson* hosted a 1 hour Third Party discussion. A Natural Law lawyer running for Congressional Dist. 7, a Green

lawyer who works for the San Francisco District Attorney and **Frank** were in studio. Two other Third Party Reps appeared by phone. Topics included: 'Is the term 'Third Party' a self-fulfilling prophesy?' (possibly), Ballot Access Laws (horrible), The Wasted Vote (our biggest challenge) and Proportional/Instant-Run Off voting (perhaps our best hope). Our thanks to **Meg** and **Scott** in Concord for calling the show with LP questions.

Frank held his own against those "professional mouthpieces" but on the way home said to me; "I think I'm going to join the *Toastmasters Club* to get some more practice."

Toastmaster and LP Hero Mark Werlwas will tell you; "That's a good idea **Frank**, for all of us"

On Tax Day, **Frank** was back on the front lines at the Concord Post Office, with **SCamp** and myself, giving away lollipops and literature to all the late filers. The Post Office (I mean your taxes) provided popcorn and punch inside while local band "Full Circle" played at a deafening level right next to the door outside. The

entertainment serves two purposes. One is to mollify the sheep as they're sheared, the other is to drowned out the protesters. None the less we

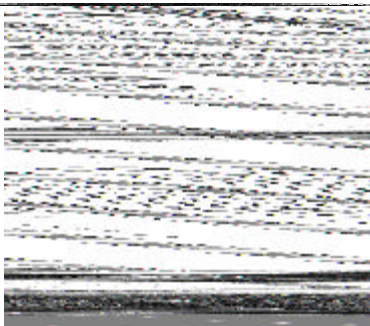
still gave away over 600 suckers with the LP flyer; **Working to Cut Your Taxes.**

We had fun too!!!

Q:->



Frank Manske



Cat Fight

Jacob (Bumper) Hornberger, President of Future of Freedom Foundation and 6 week LP Presidential Candidate earlier this year, provoked an avalanche of E-Mail last month. In a 3 part, 24 page 'brief' he accused Harry Browne and several members of the Libertarian National Committee of malfeasance. Citing facts and figures from a wide variety of sources including the official minutes of LNC meetings, Hornberger challenged:

- Members of the LNC were improperly paid by Harry Browne for off-duty work on his campaign.
- Project Archimedes was a fiscal fiasco.
- Harry Browne's plan not to file with the FEC (as an act of civil disobedience) is ill advised and deceptive to his contributors.

The entire 'brief' and Browne's response can be found on our website. <www.busthead.com/eastbaylp>

Is this sour grapes or a legitimate beef?

Is it a breach of fiduciary responsibility or making a mountain out of a molehill?

You decide and let your voice be heard at the National Convention in Anaheim this July.

Whatever is decided at Convention
let us all raise this Battle Flag together

and fight Republocrats forever!

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DID YOU KNOW THAT...

under a new (Nevada) law that went into effect Oct. 1, anyone driving with two nanograms or more of marijuana per milliliter of blood is presumed to be "Driving Under the Influence."

Las Vegas Review-Journal

"nearly 2 million Russians checked the 'against all candidates' box in the December parliamentary elections. The category drew more votes than 20 of the 26 parties in the race and topped the ballot in some constituencies --which, under election rules, forced a new poll in those areas."

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/chronicle/archive/2000/03/08>

Nationwide, 2 million children have at least one parent behind bars (40 plus percent for non-violent drug crimes), and many of the young people are destined to follow. Criminologist John J. DiIulio said; "No single group of Americans is more at risk of abuse and neglect, educational failure, illiteracy, chronic joblessness, welfare dependency, drug or alcohol addiction, out-of-wedlock births, crime and delinquency, incarceration and premature death than the children of incarcerated adults."

Liz Everett Amarillo Globe-News (TX)

the rest of these come from an editorial published Monday, April 17, 2000, in the San Jose Mercury News:

"O.T. Bonnet Middle School in Danville, Virginia suspended eight students for one week for sniffing Kool-Aid powder. The students were charged with "possession of contraband" because they were "using Kool-Aid in a way that imitated the use of illegal drugs," school officials explained. They could have been suspended for a year on the charge of "using a look-alike drug."

two kindergartners playing at a New Jersey school pointed their fingers at classmates and made shooting noises. Bang-bang. You're suspended for three days.

a Maryland school suspended a 9-year-old for violating the school's no-gun policy. He'd drawn a picture of a gun on a piece of paper.

a seventh-grader in Kansas got a three-day suspension for violating the rule against 'racially divisive' material. He drew a picture of a Confederate flag."

Zero tolerance equals zero sense.

Q:->

PERSUASION POWER POINT

Evangelist or Church Preacher?

"Where liberty is, there is my home," Ben Franklin.

"Where liberty is not, there is mine," Tom Paine.

Franklin was the church preacher. Paine, the evangel-

Some libertarians love to talk with other libertarians about the implications and applications of liberty. They love to flesh out libertarian insights and outlooks. To explore and expand on the finer points of freedom.

Other libertarians love to share their libertarianism with those who have never heard our ideas before. They enjoy introducing people to liberty.

Some libertarian communicators are church preachers. They inspire and elevate our words and deeds. They show us how and why we must be bold and principled. They deepen our thinking and raise our standards. Without them, we might weaken and water down our principles or proposals. Without their influence, we would lose our moral compass.

Other libertarian communicators are evangelists. They get a kick out of talking with people who have never even had a glimmer about liberty. They whet their listeners appetite for freedom. They find words and phrases and stories and questions that lead their listeners to liberty. Without them, the libertarian movement would stagnate and stand still. Without their steady stream of new converts, we could not grow.

Some libertarians prefer church preaching. Others prefer evangelism. Most libertarian communicators do one or the other. A handful do both.

Some libertarians believe church preachers are good and evangelists are bad. Or evangelists are good and church preachers are bad.

We need inward-directed communication. And outward-directed communication. Just as a tree needs roots that reach down - and branches that reach up.

We need nurture and honor both kinds of communicators. Both are crucial to our success.

The Evangelist and the Church Preacher.

Michael Cloud is the author of *The Art of Libertarian Persuasion* and creator of "The Essence of Political Persuasion," a widely-acclaimed 3-tape communication course, available from the Advocates for Self-Government at the *give-away* price of only

\$7.50 postpaid.

<http://www.self-gov.org/>

Whether you agree with me that governments were created to protect the 'family unit' or our Chair SCamp, who thinks that to return Eleane to Communist tyranny is morally reprehensible the following picture and quote exemplifies our common concern:

Q:-(>

I'm from the government.
I'm here to help you.
"Gimmie the damn boy!"



Eleane's rescue?

**"Government is not reason;
it is not eloquence;
it is force.
Like fire,
it is a dangerous servant
and a fearful master."**

George Washington

May 2000

"There are just two rules of governance in a free society: Mind you own business. Keep your hands to yourself."
P. J. O'Rourke (1993)

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'Schedule of Events' is subject to change.
Please call to confirm date and time.



Cal Berkeley Liberty Alliance meets every other Thursday in 228 Dwinelle Hall at 7:30pm. *info:* markagoodman@hotmail.com> or <callib@ocf.berkeley.edu> or <http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~callib/>

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May 10 @ 2:45 PM **"The Free Press in the Internet Age."** in room 101A at the University Union, California State University Hayward: ADMISSION AND REFRESHMENTS ARE FREE! *info* **Charles W. Baird** Ph. D. Professor of Economics, Director of The Smith Center (510) 885-3275 cbaird@bay.csuohayward.edu or http://www.sbe.csuohayward.edu/~sbesc



May 14, 2000 **Second Amendment Sisters** is holding the Armed Informed Mothers' March (A.I.M.M.) on Mother's Day in Washington DC. *info:* http://www.i-charity.net/sw.cgi/1097/1562/vip=16374

May 16 @ 7:15 PM **EBLP Regional Meeting**

"Fellowship of Humanity Hall" located at: 390 27th St. corner of Broadway Oakland. *Info:* **Scott Wilson Q:->** (925) 687-0460



20 May @ noon LPC Northern Vice Chair Rodney Austin will hold an Activist and Candidate Meeting at Main 627 Restaurant 627 Main St. Suisun City Lunch 12 noon. Meeting 1 to 5 pm. *info:* rkaustin@cybergate.com, (559) 255-5561

May 20 @ 6:30 PM - **Free Exchange Potluck/**

Social Hans-Hermann Hoppe, famous economist from University of Nevada, creator of the brilliant and groundbreaking "What Must Be Done" tapes, which specify how to get from here (monopoly government /protection racket) to there (freedom to choose one's protection agency). Pot-Luck supper, \$5.00 or bring contribution. Opera Plaza Homeowners Community Room Mezzanine (take elevator in front of theater) 601 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco *info* **Jeanie Kennedy** (415) 970-0400 or <www.homestead.com/FreeExchange>

Wednesday, May 24, 2000 6:30-8:30 p.m. (note later start time) The Independent Policy Forum
PEARL HARBOR: Official Lies in an American War Tragedy? ROBERT B. STINNETT, author of *The Day of Deceit: The Truth About FDR & Pearl Harbor* *info:* The INDEPENDENT INSTITUTE
100 Swan Way Oakland, CA 94621-1428 or call 510 632-1366 (limited seating)



May 27 @ 2:00 PM **Folding Party, Regional Exec Com Meeting** 711 Saint Mary's Rd. Lafayette. *Info* Scott Wilson Q:-> (925) 687-0460

"Turkey Shoot" postponed to June 10

EBLP will host it at the Martinez Gun Club. The fun starts at 10 AM and will culminate with the awards ceremony/BBQ in the afternoon. It will be a shotgun and pistol shoot.



Why did I get this? I'm not a member.

Recently you registered as/or requested information about the Libertarian Party. You will receive three free issues of the East Bay LP's newsletter so that you can see what your friends and neighbors are doing to reclaim the values we all cherish. We hope you will join us in the never ending fight for **LIBERTY and JUSTICE for ALL!**

June 17 - Popular Prof. Joe Fuhrig of Golden Gate University on The 4 Basic Questions of Economics - Where Are We Now??"-- questions such as: Is the public perception of Capitalism improving or deteriorating? How might this perception affect our economic freedom in the years ahead? What are the forces at work, and how is the perception of Capitalism likely to change 50 or 100 years from now? *info* **Jeanie Kennedy** (415) 970-0400

30 June - 3 July 2000 **Libertarian Party Presidential Nominating Convention** Location: Anaheim, California *Info:* 202-333-0008 x227 <http://www.lp.org/conv/2000/>

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Special Election for Alameda Vice-Chair

Due to a family emergency, Dawn Pedersen has resigned as Vice-Chair Alameda County and moved back to L.A. We wish her well and will surely miss her. Unfortunately this leaves a hole in our Executive Committee that, especially in an election year, must not go unfilled.

At the April 18th Regional Meeting, the members voted to suspend the rule requiring a 30 notice of election. This Special Election will be held at the next Regional Meeting on May 16th at 7:15 PM. Any Alameda County 'Voting Member' who would like to join our Merry Band of Freedom Fighters on the Executive Committee is encouraged to run for the office. Duties include: primary contact for members & inquiries for Alameda, participating in Regional Meeting and Folding Party monthly, and leading by example. In other words you can do just about anything you want, so long as it promotes the Libertarian Party.

All Alameda County 'Voting Members' are asked to attend to cast their vote. Come to *The Party!*

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