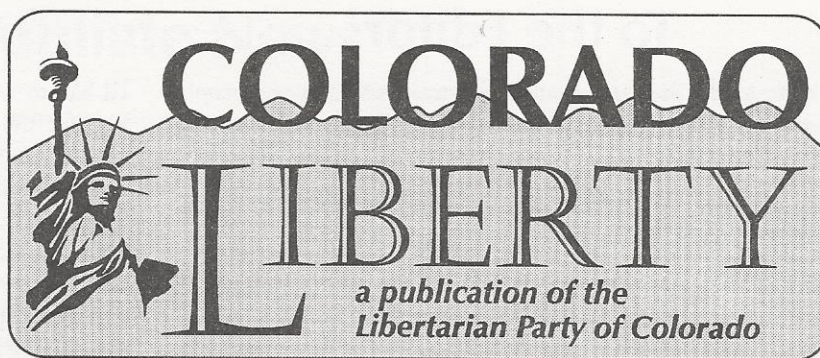


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# Harry Browne's Visit to Aspen Pays Off

by Doug Anderson & Richard G. Combs

Harry Browne, leading contender for the 1996 Libertarian Party presidential nomination, seems to like visiting Colorado. And with good reason.

Browne made a campaign appearance in Colorado this spring, when he spoke to the LPC state convention in Loveland. An audience of about 70 active Libertarian Party members welcomed him with enthusiasm and donated over \$5000 to his campaign.

On an August 4 visit to Aspen, Browne garnered nearly \$10,000 in campaign contributions. Browne is a best-selling author and one of the most successful and sought-after investment advisers and financial writers in the country. He came to Aspen to address Doug Casey's "Eris" conference. Casey, author of *Crisis Investing* and *Crisis Investing for the 90s*, is another leading figure in the investment field and a member of

the Browne for President campaign committee.

Casey's Eris conference, an invitation-only, \$500-a-ticket event, drew such familiar names as Mary Margaret Glennie, Jacob "Bumper" Hornberger, Larry Dodge, Dr. Ron Paul, and Russell Means. Approximately 100 people attended Browne's one hour breakfast talk, responding warmly to his "Government Doesn't Work" campaign theme.

Local Libertarian activists, led by Tom Peckham and Jimmy Pierce, worked hard to make sure that Browne's message went beyond the Eris group.

After breakfast, Browne had a private interview with Curtis Robinson, editor of the *Aspen Daily News*. The half hour appointment, arranged by Peckham, turned into an hour. Robinson reportedly was quite impressed by Browne.

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## Leadville Activist Enters Race

by Richard G. Combs

Carol Stuckey Hill, Lake County LP activist, is running for Leadville City Council. She has entered the Ward 1 race, in which voters will fill two seats this November 7.

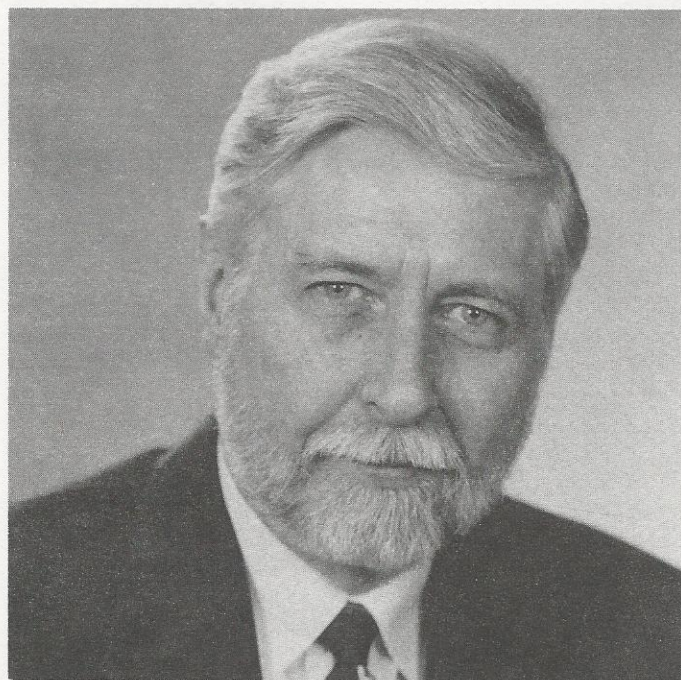
The election is nonpartisan, but Hill intends to make no bones about her political beliefs. "I'll do everything I can to win this election," she explained, "but the most important thing is that people hear these 'new' ideas."

Hill has served on the Lake County Planning and Zoning Commission since August 1994, and recently became acting Chair of the Board of Adjustments. Her work in these roles has earned her widespread respect in the community.

"When I was petitioning, many people were supportive and some were downright enthusiastic. The *worst* response I got was a cordial hearing," said Hill.

Hill reported that five people, including herself and the two incumbents, took out petitions for the race, but she doesn't

see Hill Running, page 3



Leading LP presidential candidate Harry Browne.  
Photo courtesy of the Browne campaign.

## To the Editor:

In spite of the escalating out-of-control messes, many people are still not aware that the agenda of the government is creating the problems.

They may even still believe that the problems will be solved by more laws, taxes, red tape, and mucking over people.

Many of the critical issues we face are the results and symptoms of the politicians' promiscuous legislation and spending. They should not have created the messes in the first place.

In spite of all the slickery rhetoric, promises, shell games, and academic tap dances, they are failing to slow down, much less stop or reverse, the current insanity.

The same people and agenda that have alienated people abroad are alienating people at home. The people parroting all the labels like ventriloquist dummies are not too swift. Pogo was wrong, the enemy is the gummint. The media could help more.

John F. Sisson, Independent  
Arvada

*The problem is that "human" and "free" mean the same thing. If that's not a wonderful problem, what is? A coerced act has no ethical significance. The problem is, you're free, and therefore you choose your problems.*

— Tu Li,  
The Tao Yung Hui

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## From the Chair:

I'd like to welcome those of you who are reading this publication for the first time. For more than a thousand of you, this may be the first time you've heard from *your* political party, the only political party dedicated to the cause of liberty, the Libertarian Party. I hope our association with you is a positive and rewarding experience. I know that my experience in the Libertarian Party has been rewarded with new friends, new skills, and new hope—the renewed hope that we can, once again, live in a society that is free from government interference.

We're welcoming all these new friends because of the generosity of our current members, who made it possible for us to purchase the voter registration list. This long-term goal was finally achieved a couple of months ago, thanks in part to our Fund-raising Director, Bette Rose Smith.

If your mailing label says "28 mm/yy PLEASE JOIN STATE WITH DUES," you're a member of the Libertarian Party of Colorado because, when you registered to vote, you selected a party affiliation of "Libertarian." We're glad to have you as a member and hope you become one of our more active supporters. We hope you'll also become a *dues-paying* member of the state and national parties, because those dues pay for things like this newsletter and the literature that may have attracted you to the Libertarian Party in the first place!

I encourage you to look for the county affiliate or contact nearest you in the directory on the next to last page, call up the contact, and start going to their meetings and events. If there isn't one near you, please talk to our Affiliates Director, Sandra Johnson, about starting a group in your area. She'll be glad to help you get organized. You'll meet some nice neighbors, have some fun, and begin to make a difference!

Again, I'd like to welcome you to our party, and I look forward to seeing you on the campaign trail!

David Aitken, State Chair



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# Affiliate News

Attention local contacts: Please send your affiliate news and calendar information to Affiliates Director Sandra Johnson (via mail, phone, or e-mail) by the 10th of each month. Thanks!

## Adams County

The newly-formed Libertarians of Adams County got into action quickly, staffing a booth at the Adams County Fair on August 2-6. Focusing on giving people the World's Smallest Political Quiz, they obtained names and addresses of 54 interested persons and brought in about \$50.00 in donations. Not bad for the first time out!

At their August 14 meeting, the group discussed plans to get involved in a Habitat for Humanity building bee and decided to meet on the second Monday of each month at CoCo's, 104th and I-25. Call Earl Allen, 254-4978, for more information. Please note that the phone number in the Calendar of Events has been incorrect for the last two issues. Also, the meetings start at 7:00 p.m., not 7:30 p.m.

## Denver County

Denver's September 12 meeting will feature attorney Tom Miller talking about his lawsuit against the City and County of Denver for refusing to issue him a concealed carry permit.

The September meeting may be the last at Muddy's Coffeehouse. Dissatisfaction with the atmosphere and facilities at Muddy's has been growing among some members. Chair David Segal has launched a search for alternatives, and is expected to present a proposal for a new meeting place.

## Hill Running, continued from page 1

know how many of those will file. She was the first to turn in her petitions.

Win or lose, Hill intends to continue promoting liberty in Lake County. She is looking forward to the LPC Board meeting and activists' retreat in Glenwood Springs September 9. She wants to schedule something similar, but with an outreach focus, in Leadville some time in the near future.

A recent meeting with the editor of the *Leadville Herald-Democrat* gave her a pleasant surprise. "Carol, are you a libertarian?" he asked.

"If he'd ever seen the back of my car, he'd have known," Hill chuckled.

The editor, it turns out, had been reading a bit about libertarians and recognized some of her ideas. In fact, he'd begun wondering if perhaps he, too, was really a libertarian!

Needless to say, Hill promised to bring him additional reading material on the subject. Then she told him of her plan to host a libertarian gathering in Leadville, and he promised to publicize it in the paper.

Expect more libertarian news from Leadville, and look for information about an LP event there in the future. We'll keep you posted.

## Jefferson County

"Watch out for an activist group!" says newly-elected Chair Clark Marley. The group elected Jerry Hatch as Vice Chair, Tom Goonan as Secretary, and Gary Sandritter as Treasurer. They hope to focus on fun activities to reduce the chances of "burnout." The first such activity was participating in an August 23 town meeting with Rep. David Skaggs in Arvada. No word yet on how much fun they had at that event!

Other plans for the Jeffco LP include:

- Inviting California LP activist Dick Boddie to speak at a Jefferson Forum lecture.
- Writing letters supporting the Green family, whose land faces appropriation by the Jeffco school district.
- Offering libertarian speakers to outside groups.
- Developing an inventory of members' skills.

## San Luis Valley

The San Luis Valley Libertarians plan a series of neighborhood get-togethers focusing on informal discussions of various libertarian topics. The September 13 discussion will focus on the right of self-defense, gun control, and the Second Amendment. Call Bob Johnson, (719) 379-2767, for details.

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# What is a Libertarian? ... and Related Random Ideas

by Sandra Johnson

What is a libertarian? One who believes in a free society based on individual rights and functioning through a free economy.

Every person is the owner of his own life and no one is the owner of anyone else's life; therefore, every human has the right to act based on his own choices, unless they infringe on the equal liberty of other humans to act according to their choices.

Libertarian roots go back to Aristotle, who acknowledged that our own life and happiness are, for each of us, our fundamental value and purpose.

The function of government should be the protection of the human rights to life, liberty, and property. Laws should exist only to protect individuals from the aggression and fraud of others. Government should be limited to retaliatory use of force against those who have initiated its use. It should not enter any other area, such as religion, social organization, or economics. The proper role of government is that of protector of the citizens against aggression by other individuals. The government should never initiate aggression.

Historically, government is the most dangerous institution known; it has violated the rights of more people than any individual or group—killing people, enslaving them, sending them to forced labor and concentration camps, regularly robbing them of the fruits of their labor.

When government lets people trade freely in a free market, the economy flourishes and expands, and many more people can support themselves.

"The State is that organization in society which attempts to maintain a monopoly of the use of force and violence in a given territorial area; in particular, it is the only organization in society that obtains its revenue not by voluntary contribution or payment for services rendered, but...by the use of compulsion, i.e., by the use and threat of the jailhouse and the bayonet."

— Murray Rothbard

"Man has found that, through the process of voluntary, mutual exchange, the productivity, and hence the living standards, of all participants in exchange may increase enormously."

— Murray Rothbard

"Government in this country was designed as an agent to protect persons and property, to maintain peace and order by resolving conflict through the judicial system. And it was supposed to administer resistance to threats from outside the country, but without ever becoming an aggressor in the outside world."

— F. A. Harper

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## In My Opinion

by David Aitken

Now that term limits have been in effect for 5 years, they're starting to have an impact on the Colorado General Assembly.

Senators Gallagher and Mares abandoned their seats for positions in the Denver city government. Their seats were filled by State Representatives appointed to serve out their terms. Those seats will be filled with appointees also.

Other position switches are probably planned or under way. After all, the general election is still 14 months away.

The general assembly meets again in January. And term limits don't officially kick in until 1998. This seems to me to be a disturbing trend—run for another position while still in office, and if you lose, it's no big deal, because you still hold the original elected position.

I think that doing this violates the trust the voters place in our elected officials. If you get elected to serve a 4 year term, you ought to serve it, barring any major disasters in your life.

Perhaps we need to amend the Colorado Constitution to say: "No elected official of the State of Colorado or any of its districts shall campaign for or be elected to any public office whose term begins before the expiration of his/her current term."

Which may be more what the people had in mind when they adopted term limits back in 1990.

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# Browne Finds Support Among NH Republicans

by Richard G. Combs

The press release from the Harry Browne for President campaign could hardly have been more enthusiastic if their candidate had finished first in the straw poll. "Harry Browne Snags More Votes than Dole, Wilson, Alexander and Lugar at New Hampshire Taxpayers Picnic," the subhead declared.

In fact, Browne finished fourth with 6.8%, well behind Buchanan and Gramm, and slightly behind Alan Keyes. Notice, however, what all the others have in common: they're Republicans. Over 1,000 people attended the Granite State Taxpayers Association's annual candidate picnic on August 5, and, according to the group's founder, Douglas Knight, "Over 90% of our people are Republicans—very socially and fiscally conservative. Most of the rest are Independents."

There was only one other non-Republican among the nine candidates: U.S. Taxpayer Party founder Howard Phillips finished in last place with one vote.

The Buchanan campaign reportedly spent over \$12,000 on tickets and campaign materials to ensure his win. Phil Gramm spent over \$7,000 to get his second-place finish. Alan Keyes apparently earned the third spot with a "spellbinding and passionate speech" focused on his strong anti-abortion stand.

## **Browne in Aspen**, continued from page 1

Later, Browne addressed a local men's club luncheon at the Little Nell Hotel. The Liberty Alliance co-sponsored Browne's appearance and advertised it in the paper. In addition, Pierce and other Alliance activists called area libertarians.

The luncheon, which is open to the public (\$15 a plate), usually draws 20 to 30. The turn-out to hear Browne was 97. Channel 12, the local cable public affairs channel, taped part of the speech, along with a short interview with Browne.

In the afternoon, Browne did a one hour interview for the local public radio station. The station manager sat in on the interview, and seemed favorably impressed.

Browne visited the Eris group again for a very quick and successful fundraising, then headed for the airport. His next stop was a debate with Republican candidates at a Republican-dominated taxpayers' group picnic in New Hampshire. (See story above.)

## **Late News Flash!**

Harry Browne will be in Colorado again October 23-25. He will probably focus his visit on Boulder, which is expected to participate in the November 7 CityVote presidential straw poll.

Local Browne for President activists are just beginning to plan for the visit, but hope to schedule at least two public appearances, including one on the CU campus. Plans are also under way to book Browne on local public affairs television shows and radio talk shows. We will have details next month. In the meantime, you can call David Bryant, (303) 744-6577, for more information or to volunteer to help.

Browne earned his surprising showing with a powerful speech of his own. "Government Doesn't Work. We need Huge Tax Cuts Now! Huge Spending Cuts Now! A Balanced Budget Now!" he thundered. "We will slash the federal budget by two-thirds my first year. We will abolish the Personal Income Tax and close down the IRS my first year. And this is just the *first step* toward making America a free country again."

Browne's speech was interrupted by applause numerous times. While shaking hands afterwards, he was surprised by a Pat Buchanan supporter who said, "Mr. Browne, I'm committed to Pat Buchanan for President, but if for some reason he doesn't win the nomination, I'm voting for you."

"It was like getting hit by a ton of bricks," said Harry Browne. "From then on, I asked every Buchanan, Keyes, and Gramm supporter to vote for me if their candidate didn't win the nomination. Many said 'Yes'. Others told me that they weren't voting for someone just because he's a Republican. They wanted someone who would cut government and get back to the Constitution."

"Our vote was gratifying. 6.8% of the vote at a Republican Taxpayers Organization. In the face of 7 active Republican candidates. Imagine what we can do after the Republican Nominating Convention. And think of how we'll do with Independents," said Browne.

## **RTD Opens Budget Process to Public**

by Larry Hoffenberg

The Denver metro Regional Transportation District (RTD) opens its proposed 1996 budget to the general public in a series of four meetings in late August. This unprecedented step to involve the public in RTD budgetary decisions is sure to yield controversial results.

The \$215 million requested budget includes a 6.3% increase in operating costs combined with a 54% decrease in capital expenditures for an overall 13.5% reduction in layouts from 1995 levels. Most of the capital expenditure reduction relates to reduced federal subsidies and grants.

"I believe we'll find significant savings in the budget if we get good participation from the public," said RTD Director and Libertarian Party member Dave Bishop. "If nothing else, details of the RTD budget will get critical public exposure for the first time."

"Public comment will be encouraged at the hearings, but our discussions will focus on the specifics of the budget. We're not interested in general whining," said Bishop, Budget Committee Chairman and chief proponent of the hearings on the RTD Board. At press time, only eight citizens, including several libertarians and other free-market advocates, had signed up with RTD to receive copies of the 457 page budget.

# Are Libertarians Hostile to the Environment?

by Patrick L. Lilly

*Editor's note: In our August issue, Martin Schur took libertarians to task for their "constant attacks on the environmental movement." This is Patrick Lilly's answer. Lilly is active in the El Paso County LP and the Pikes Peak Hemp Coalition.*

I, too, often read in the tenor of many libertarian position statements on environmental/political issues an apparent antipathy towards the goals of the environmental movement, and I always feel like pausing in my reading to say "No, you don't quite have that right." The reason for this is that there is, of course, nothing at all wrong with the core goals (or is it really just one core goal?) of the pro-environmental, anti-pollution movement.

All the same, when I read such libertarian writers, I have no logical choice but to agree with their cries of "coercion!" about 99% of the time. I hope that they will continue, fearlessly, and like an earlier critic, to cry "coercion!" whenever coercion is served up.

On the very real other hand, I detect an *even stronger* flavor of antipathy to virtually every economic aspect of libertarianism in nearly all the position statements of current environmental activist groups. The minute any amount of money or anyone's property rights become involved, they seem to be suddenly not just "not quite right," but way, way off the mark of realism.

The second, in part, explains the first. Since nearly all of the "environmental" proposals actually being bandied around in our real world contain so much *implicit* socialism, it should come as no surprise that most of them are completely unacceptable to libertarians. Hence, the constant rejection of these proposals by libertarians. And, without agreeing, I *understand* why so many well-meaning environmentalists interpret this as libertarian antipathy toward environmentalism *per se*.

My point, of course is that it emphatically is not. Libertarians will always oppose proposals that involve socialistic and anti-individualistic *methods*, absolutely regardless of the *goal* in the name of which they are offered. (And regardless of whether they really will help achieve that goal or not!)

Speaking for myself, I certainly have not rejected Rothbard's statement that unprovoked injury of others, carried out via chemical pollution, is aggression, just as is unprovoked injury carried out through any other means or mechanism. But it should be blatantly obvious that nothing the government currently does (and nothing it can be expected to do, under most of the "environmental" proposals now being given serious consideration) lives up to government's implicit claim to be a protector of innocent individuals against this particular kind of harm by others.

I guess the real political bottom line is that it *simply is not necessary* to resort to authoritarian measures and methods to clean up the environment and free humanity from on-going, institu-

tionalized aggression through pollution. The contrary idea is one of the negative consequences of looking at the issues in the way that leftist environmental activists so often do. That, in turn, is why implementing most of the measures such people suggest would amount to putting out our ecological fire with ecological gasoline—actually making many problems *worse* by cutting people off from the means of undertaking solutions that really *would* work.

And that, in turn, is why libertarians so often have no choice but to wonder silently what these people are using for good sense (not good intentions), and to reject their anti-holistic supposed "solutions."

Recognize the inseparability of ownership property rights and the property rights associated with the safety of one's own body (and property!), and this problem evaporates. But *fail* to get that point, and you will always feel driven to propose and support extreme, authoritarian policies that will be uniformly rejected by libertarians.

To me, that's how an appreciation for the cleanliness of the environment intersects with the philosophical core of libertarianism. Fix the massive over-governing of the world's people, and two things can be expected to happen:

- First, many *more* people than now will really recognize the true seriousness and immediacy of our environmental problems. (Yes, of course they're real!)
- Second, and most critically, real workable solutions will quickly become more visible and *people will start actually doing them*.

I, for one, am good and ready. Libertarians don't reject environmentalism; we reject counter-productive authoritarian policies.

## Just a thought...

*In recent weeks, the Denver criminal justice system has put Douglas Bruce in jail and Jeffrey Nowman on unsupervised probation.*

*Do you need any further evidence that we are in the midst of the Decline of Western Civilization?*

*Or that Bill Ritter's office is on the side of the Vandals and Visigoths?*

# Experts Raise Questions About OK City Bombing

by Richard G. Combs

If you're about my age, you may recall the Chad Mitchell Trio's humorous musical put-down of the John Birch Society (JBS). My own opinion basically mirrored the song: a slightly silly bunch of paranoids obsessed with communist conspiracies. (Why, they even believed that Alger Hiss and the Rosenbergs were really guilty!)

Thanks to John Pfuetze of the Congressional Reporter (a fellow member of the Liberty Alliance, a loose coalition of pro-freedom groups), I've seen several issues of JBS's news and opinion biweekly, *The New American*, in the past year or so. To my surprise, I've been very impressed: it boasts excellent research, fair and balanced presentation of controversial information, and very good writing. *The New American* took on the topic of black helicopters, foreign troops, and secret internment camps a few months ago, and did an excellent job of debunking the favorite myths of the more paranoid patriots.

I've discussed my perception of *The New American* with some others I respect (including Denver Chair David Segal, who can be counted on to heap scorn with enthusiasm when deserved and who has no love for right-wing paranoids). They confirm my assessment of the magazine.

I tell you all this as a prelude to urging that you read the August 7 issue (Vol. 11, No. 16). I bought it for the excellent two-page review of Murray Rothbard's two-volume history of economic thought. Only later did I read William F. Jasper's 16-page, two-part special report on the Oklahoma City bombing.

Part one, "Explosive Evidence of a Cover-up," relies heavily on the a 23-page report released on July 13 by Brigadier General Benton K. Partin (USAF, Ret.). Partin's credentials are impeccable. Most of his 31 years in the military, he was involved with munitions and explosives — research, design, testing, and development — including commanding the Air Force Armament Technology Laboratory. He has an excellent reputation in his field.

Partin originally expressed doubts in May that a truck bomb outside the building could have caused the damage, and pleaded with authorities and members of Congress to delay the demolition of the building until an assessment of the damaged support columns could confirm or disprove his concerns. Giving the benefit of the doubt to the "official scenario," Partin still concluded that "either some of the columns collapsed that should not have collapsed or some of the columns are still standing that should have collapsed and did not."

Partin's July report, using photographic evidence and diagrams reproduced in *The New American*, is even more adamant that demolition charges had to have been placed on some of the columns that collapsed. Space doesn't permit me even to summarize the detailed arguments presented to support that belief. I urge you to read it yourself, study the accompanying illustrations, and draw your own conclusion.

In part two of the special report, "Seismic Support," Jasper

examines the theory offered by the U.S. Geological Survey to explain "multiple event" seismogram readings of the explosion. The USGS press release, "Seismic Records Support One-Blast Theory in Oklahoma City Bombing," about the results of a study by USGS and the Oklahoma Geological Survey (OGS) was widely reported by the media as having settled the question. The theory advanced by USGS's Dr. Thomas Holzer states that two clearly separate seismogram waves ten seconds apart resulted from a single explosion because the wave traveled at different velocities in different layers of rock. Sounds plausible, says Jasper, but is there geological evidence to back up this theory?

It turns out that OGS director Dr. Charles Mankin had urged Dr. Holzer to delay the press release because no such evidence has been found. Dr. Raymond Brown, the senior geophysicist assigned by Mankin to lead the OGS investigation, has been analyzing seismometer readings from the May 23 demolition and comparing them with the April 19 records. He describes five possible theories to explain the April 19 seismic data, and concludes that four of them range from impossible to unlikely. Brown believes that by far the most plausible explanation for the data he's seen is "a bomb on the inside of the building."

Throughout, Jasper presents a balanced picture. He talks with experts who question Gen. Partin's conclusions as well as those who are persuaded. He allows Dr. Holzer to respond to Dr. Mankin. He makes it clear that an explosion on the inside does *not* mean that "the feds blew up their own building," as some patriot and militia types have suggested. Given relatively lax security, someone could have entered the building and placed charges on the critical columns (although the evidence points to charges at the third floor, where the columns in question meet a horizontal header beam — certainly less accessible to "outsiders" than the street-level column bases).

In any case, the evidence to prove or disprove the theories of Gen. Partin and Dr. Brown lies buried in a landfill outside Oklahoma City, surrounded by a chain link fence and guarded by security personnel.

"It may be," writes Jasper, "that the general's assessment will be proven to be way off; perhaps other equally qualified experts will be found to adequately answer the critical objections he raises. If that is the case, so be it. So far, however, the prostitute press and pusillanimous politicians have sought to stifle his persuasive arguments with stonewalled silence. And, ignoring his compelling evidence, they continue cynically to exploit the fears they have fanned...to push so-called "anti-terrorist" legislation that seriously threatens the liberty of all Americans."

Get this report. There is much more than I can summarize here. John Pfuetze has a limited number available locally. Call him at (303) 795-5398. Or you can order copies by credit card direct from *The New American* at (414) 749-3783. Read it and let me know what you think.

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## September Sunrise/Sunset Agenda

In September, the Sunrise/Sunset Committee, of which Rep. Penn Pfiffner is a member, will consider legislation to REGULATE the following areas: Respiratory Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Hemodialysis Technicians, Opticians, Landscape Architects, Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning People, and Athletic Trainers.

They will consider legislation to DEREGULATE Underground Storage Tank installers, Coal Mine Board, Workers Compensation Accreditation Board, and Midwives.

If you have knowledge or training in any of these areas, please call David Aitken at 303-831-4334.

## LP Enjoys Wave of Nationwide Publicity

The four page cover story on the libertarian movement in the July 24 *Insight on the News* (a weekly news magazine published by the *Washington Times*) was only one example of what the national LP calls "an unprecedented outpouring of national publicity in the last month or so..."

Other media attention for the LP included:

- A front-page article in the July 26 *USA Today* entitled "The GenX Philosophy: Many reject politics, lean libertarian."
- Stories about ballot access barriers in Hearst newspapers and in the *Christian Science Monitor* both quoted LP Director of Communications Bill Winter. The *Monitor* article described the LP as "the closest thing to a real third party that exists in the US today."
- A new book, *Politics on the Net*, lists the LP's World Wide Web page and profiles LP activist and former Coloradan Joe Dehn, who created and maintains the Web page.
- The August issue of *Boardwatch*, a national magazine for computer bulletin board operators and fans, listed 53 libertarian BBSs and noted that "...Libertarians are attracted to—and perhaps born in—the online world."

## Learn Persuasive Libertarian Communication

The Advocates for Self-Government's 10th anniversary summit conference will take place October 6-8 at the Atlanta Airport Hilton Towers. The theme of the conference is "Winning the World: Secrets of Persuasive Libertarian Communication."

Speakers include Joseph Sobran, Doug Bandow, Doug Casey, Carol Ann Rand, John Fund, Mary Ruwart, Marshall Fritz, Michael Emerling Cloud, Michael Rothschild, and "Bumper" Hornberger.

This should be an outstanding opportunity to learn effective communication skills from the best communicators in our movement. If you can't attend, consider ordering the audio tapes of the sessions. Call the Advocates for Self-Government at 800-932-1776 for more information about the conference or the audio tape package.

## Ballot Access Drives Need Help

A shortage of funds is delaying critical ballot access drives in several difficult states, including Florida and West Virginia.

Can you help? National LP is looking for 96 individuals who can pledge \$1000 each to ballot access...or 960 who can pledge \$100...or any amount you can afford! They need the commitments (not necessarily the funds) soon, so they can go ahead and contract for the necessary petition drives.

Call Scott Kohlhaas at the national LP office, 202-333-0008, and pledge what you can!

## Miscellaneous Political Stuff

If you think any portion of the National LP's platform should be changed, now is the time to submit those changes to the Platform Committee. The address is in the directory.

Seven or eight seats will be up for grabs on the Regional Transportation District board in the Denver metro area in 1996. These seats are winnable, and you could exercise enormous control over one of the largest government agencies in the state of Colorado! Call Dennis Polhill at the Independence Institute, 279-6536, for more information.

The Mayor of Denver, Wellington Webb, is now on-line at MayorDEN@Aol.com.

## Kudos to...

David Aitken, for locating a bank card service provider, and Todd Wassermann, for financing the equipment the LPC needed in order to begin accepting credit cards. Thanks to them, you can now pay your dues, make donations, order merchandise, and sign up for our monthly pledge program (hint, hint!) using Visa or MasterCard!

Coordinator Doug Carlsten, Bob Shock, Grace Reed, Norm Olsen, Tim Kern, Tom Schrah, Doug Newman, Earl Allen, and everyone else who helped with the Adams County Fair booth. It was a heckuva start for a new affiliate group!

Judd Ptak, for his letters to the *Denver Post* and the *Colorado Statesman* connecting the problem of urban sprawl to the income tax system and its home mortgage interest deduction.

Patrick Lilly, El Paso County LP and Pikes Peak Hemp coalition activist, who organized an August 13 protest rally at the Denver City-County Building. The group of about 100 was protesting Denver's refusal to give an event permit to a hemp coalition unless it secured a \$1million insurance bond and agreed to pay overtime wages for however many cops the city decided were needed to "control" the event.

Terry Donze, whose *Colorado Liberty* article, "Reach Out!," appeared in the Summer 1995 issue of *The Liberator*, the journal of the Advocates for Self-Government.

David Bryant, who delivered the August issue of the *Colorado Liberty* to post office for bulk mail delivery, and paid the postage for it!

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- 5 Jury Rights Day. Call Brian Holthouse, (303) 756-9319 for info.
- 5 Ft. Collins 1st Tue. Breakfast Club, Tony's, 224 South College, 7 a.m. Speaker. Pat Hartman, (970) 224-3116.
- 6 & 20 CSU Campus Libertarians, CSU Student Center. Bruce Lockhart, (970) 223-7504.
- 9 LPC Activists' Retreat, Hot Springs Lodge conference room, Glenwood Springs, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. See page 5.
- 11 Adams County Libertarians, Coco's at Northglenn Mall, 104th & I-25, 7 p.m. Earl Allen, (303) 254-4978.
- 11 & 25 Aurora LP, Shoney's, 13700 E. Mississippi, 7 p.m. Doug Newman, (303) 363-4172.
- 12 Denver LP, Muddy's, 22nd and Champa, 7 p.m. (dinner at 6) Speaker: Tom Miller. (303) 296-4059.
- 12 Summit County LP. Call John Sabal at (970) 262-6369 for time and location.
- 12 & 26 Routt County LP, Off the Beaten Path Bookstore & Coffeehouse, Steamboat Springs, 7:30 p.m. Robert Jahelka, (970) 879-4127.
- 13 Northeast Colorado LP, Branding Iron Cafe at the Super 8 Motel, I-76 at Exit 125 (Sterling), 7 p.m. Bette Rose at (970) 228-4456 or Trent at (970) 522-0328.
- 9 San Luis Valley LP meeting, Forbes Park, 6:30 p.m. Call Bob Johnson, (719) 379-2767, for directions.
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