Hemp Supporters Rally at State Capitol

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Petitioning Season is Upon Us!

Yes, it's that time again - time for Libertarians to get out and circulate petitions to ensure that voters have a choice on election day.

LP members are making plans to begin circulating petitions for our presidential and vice-presidential candidates as soon as they are nominated. Specifically, Denver LP activist Doug Anderson is putting together a team to start petitioning on Sunday, 1 September - the very first day after the nomination!

If you can help Doug with this, even if you can only petition for a few hours that weekend (Monday is Labor Day), give him a call at 757-8896. Keith Hamburger is coordinating the petitioning effort statewide - if you live outside the Denver area, give him a call (719-471-8880) and he'll help you get in touch.
On Saturday, July 27, some 300 people gathered in front of the state capitol building to express their displeasure with the War on Drugs, and to express their support for the relegalization of the hemp plant. The speakers talked about the medicinal uses of hemp, and about its potential as a source of food, fuel, and fiber. This event was organized by the Rocky Mountain Hemp Network, with support from the Hemp Initiative Project, the Colorado Libertarian Party, and NORML—Colorado.

Scott Williams, Richard Combs, Jan Duncan, Ellen Archer, Ron Bain, and David Bryant were some of the Libertarians in the crowd. They gave away 250 copies of the U.S. Constitution, distributed about 150 copies of the CLPboard, collected over 150 signatures on petitions (tax limitation and election reform), and obtained the names and addresses of 75 new prospects for the CLP!

Another rally is planned at the same location on Sunday, September 29 at 1:00pm. People gathered on the west steps of the capitol will hear Jack Herer, author of The Emperor Wears No Clothes, speak about the need to relegalize hemp. This rally is part of a tour that Jack Herer is making through Colorado; if you can’t make it to Denver on the 29th, you can catch him in Ft Collins at CSU on the 27th at 1:00pm, in Colorado Springs at Acacia Park on the 28th at 1:00pm, and in Boulder on the 30th at the UMC fountain at noon.

Come down and be part of the fun – you might even learn a few things about the damage America’s drug policies are doing to our nation.

LP on Television!

1. Remember to tune in to C-SPAN for the most complete coverage of the LP’s presidential nominating convention, starting Wednesday 28 August!

2. Andre Marrou announced in a recent letter to his contributors that he will be running TV ads on stations in Chicago this month! A few are scheduled to be running on WGN, which is carried by many cable systems in Colorado. Watch for them Saturday and Sunday morning (24-25 Aug.), from 5 to 8 am.

3. The MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour plans to interview our candidate on Monday evening, 2 September. Check local listings for time and channel.

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

I had to deal with an interesting problem the other day. A young woman from Westcliffe called the CLP office for assistance. It seems that when she registered to vote, she tried to register as a Libertarian. But the county clerk told her that this was not allowed, and that she only had three choices: Democrat, Republican, or Unaffiliated.

Let's get one thing straight right now. You CAN register as a Libertarian in Colorado. Simply follow this procedure: There are four choices for party affiliation on the registration form. Check the box marked "Other", and write the word "Libertarian" in the blank space provided.

If the county clerk or other officious person refuses to accept your registration as a Libertarian, throw the rulebook at them. Election Regulation #165 describes the procedure in detail. The rule is found on pages 224 and 225 of the 1990 edition of the Election Laws of the state of Colorado. That book is published by the Secretary of State's office, and every county clerk should have one.

If you still have problems after citing the rules, please call the CLP office at 303-837-9393 and we will intervene in your behalf. Your right to register as a Libertarian is important, and the CLP will do whatever is necessary to protect that right.

Did you know that Title 1, Article 2, Section 214 of the Colorado Revised Statutes requires the county clerk to prepare a certificate of registration for you if you request it? Those of us who this certificate. The clerk must provide the certificate free of charge, so this is one opportunity for you to get something from the government. Besides, if enough of us go down to request this piece of paper, it may help raise the consciousness of some officious people, easing our efforts to register more Libertarians in the future.

According to the Secretary of State, there are 1,253 registered Libertarians in Colorado. Unfortunately, the CLP only has about 800 of these names on the mailing list. You can help by contacting the county clerk and obtaining a list of all the registered Libertarians in your county. If you're interested, please call Doug Anderson at 303-757-8896. Doug is spearheading the effort to obtain the voter registration lists of Libertarians across the state.

The government bureaucracy is wasteful, cumbersome, and inefficient. But it does hold the voter registration lists, which contain useful information. Please help us get that information. Encourage your friends to register as Libertarians. Ask the county clerk for your registration certificate. All of these actions will help the CLP grow. And you'll be getting something useful from the government in the process!

Yours in Liberty,

David C. Bryant

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Jury Rights Day

by Jim Glennie

The first annual "National Jury Rights Day" will be celebrated on September 5, 1991.

The event will commemorate the anniversary of the day in 1670 when the jurors in the William Penn trial refused to convict him. Despite clear evidence that Penn had delivered a Quaker sermon to a congregation assembled on a London street (both the religion and the gathering being illegal at the time), the jury acquitted him. Their verdict "according to conscience" helped to establish freedom of religion, freedom of assembly -- and jury veto power -- in English and American law.

Larry Dodge will kick off the celebration with a national news conference on the plaza of the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C. beginning at 12:00 noon, and will be joined by prominent jury rights activists.

Meanwhile, as 12:00 noon arrives in cities and towns across the nation, Fully Informed Jury Association activists will position themselves outside local courthouses to talk with media representatives and to distribute a special "Jury Rights Day Edition" of FIJA's True or False? brochure. We intend to distribute one million brochures on September 5 and during the week that follows.

And that, Friends of FIJA, is where you and I come in.

Call or write to me, and I'll send you the brochures. All you need to do is notify your local newspaper, radio and TV stations that you will be handing out literature and talking with people on the sidewalk in front of the courthouse. Take a friend or two with you and go spend an hour having fun with FIJA.

As an added benefit, you will be paving the way for the next FIJA effort in Colorado. Senator Jim Roberts of Loveland has agreed to introduce into the General Assembly next winter a constitutional amendment for jury rights. We will be asking for your support then also, for contributions, and to write letters and make phone calls to your representative and senator, and to appear at public hearings to testify on behalf of FIJA.

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Government is the great fiction through which everyone endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else.

Frederic Bastiat

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TOWARDS A NEW UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

by Thomas Jefferson, Pseudonym

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David Aitken, who organized the effort to put run a classified ad in newspapers all around the state letting people know about our C-SPAN coverage, wants to thank the following individuals who helped him pay for the ads (enough money was contributed to run the ad all four weeks in August):

- Mary Callan
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Youngest CLP Member

The following note was received by the CLP office, accompanying a new membership:

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on the 11th day of July

in the 91st year of the 20th century

(7lbs. 6 oz., 20 inches)

Boulder Group Meetings

The Boulder LP will resume monthly meetings, starting with one at the home of county chair Kevin Bloom, at noon on Saturday, 7 September. Call him at 440-9825 for details.

LEGALIZE FREEDOM!

You, Too, Can Climb Long's Peak

or at least part way.

When: Saturday, September 14, 1991. 5:00 am.

Meeting Place: Parking lot at the base of Long's Peak.

Bring: Lots of water, lunch, snacks, layered clothing, rain gear.

MULTI-LEVEL HIKE: Hike until you are half tired and then head back.

Our Candidate on the Evening News?

YOU CAN HELP MAKE IT HAPPEN

What kind of news coverage will the LP's candidate for president get this year? The answer to that could depend on whether they think anyone is interested!

You can help by writing to the news directors at the national TV and radio networks. It will be more effective if you write rather than call - you'll be giving them concrete, permanent evidence of your interest without the risk of annoying them with unwanted calls.

You may want to make the following points in your letters:

1. C-SPAN is devoting a week to coverage of the LP, including gavel-to-gavel coverage of the presidential nominating convention in Chicago.

2. The LP will have achieved ballot status in about 25 states at the time of the convention. This is further along than we've ever been before at this point in a presidential campaign.

3. The LP will be, for the first time, participating in the 1992 New Hampshire primary.

4. Our 1988 candidate, Ron Paul, received about as many votes as all the other alternative party candidates put together - we are really the alternative party!

5. There is nothing interesting happening in the Democratic and Republican presidential races.

Write soon, and ask them to start covering our candidate right away, starting with the nomination!

Some people to write to:

William Applegate

ABC News Director

77 West 66th Street

New York, NY 10023

Missie Rennie

CBS News Director

513 West 57th Street

New York, NY 10019

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Arlington, VA 22202

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Gary North
MULTI-LEVEL HIKE: Hike until you are half tired and then head back.

Destinations: The bridge; Chasm Lake turnoff; Chasm Lake; the boulder fields and the top.

Distance: Eight (8) miles to the top.

Who: You. Anyone can enjoy the beautiful scenery and good fellowship. Hike at your own pleasure and level of experience or inexperience. Bring a good book to read if you are unaccustomed to mountain hiking. Stop every so often and enjoy the view and rest.

Directions: I 25 to Hwy 34 west to Estes Park. Left (east) on Hwy 7. Several miles to Long’s Peak exit.

Contact: Mary Margaret. 303-484-8184.
CLP Curio Shop

Please indicate quantity to left of each item.

T-Shirts (indicate size: M, L, XL)
- MAKE SENSE NOT WAR ($15)
- I'M FROM THE GOVERNMENT ($12)
- QUESTION AUTHORITY ($12)
- LEGALIZE FREEDOM (not shown) ($12)
- SCREW IRS ($12)

Leaflets (10¢ each, 10 or more 5¢ each)
- NATIONAL LP PROGRAM
- IN PURSUIT OF LIBERTY
- BREAK FREE (FROM TAXES)
- THE BILL OF RIGHTS IS UNDER ATTACK
- RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP
- SHOULD WE RE-LEGALIZE DRUGS?
- ENDING OUR DRUG NIGHTMARE
- NEW HOPE FOR FREEDOM (JURIES)
- PRIVATIZATION: SHRINKING THE STATE
- FREE TRADE VS. PROTECTIONISM
- DEATH BY REGULATION (FDA)
- Libertarian Party
- DEFENDERS OF LIBERTY
- The Bill of Rights
- IF PRO IS THE OPPOSITE OF CON.

Bumper Stickers ($1 each)
- DEFENDERS OF LIBERTY
- THE BILL OF RIGHTS
- LONG LIVE LIBERTY
- I'M PRO-CHOICE on Everything

Hemp Initiative Project
by Jon Baraga

The time has come for the people of the state of Colorado to repeal all legislation regarding growing, harvesting, consuming, or trading in hemp, marijuana, cannabis, or their byproducts. The evidence is in. It is overwhelming and irrefutable. Hemp is literally a plant that can save the world. Hemp for food, fuel, and fiber will be the movement of the 90's.

It is my personal opinion that legalization of hemp and marijuana is one of the greatest blows for freedom WE THE PEOPLE can muster in this century. It is the first SOLUTION in the drug war, it is the best solution for our environment, and it is a whole new source of economic development. Only WE THE PEOPLE can do it. Here in Colorado, WE THE PEOPLE have a greater desire for liberty, have greater initiative to be free, and the willingness to stand as individuals and take our freedom back.

Our first project must be to educate the populace. Everyone should know and understand the environmental, medicinal, and civil liberties benefits of hemp legalization. The people must spread the word.

Our second project should be to recruit and train volunteers, using seminars and forums to build an effective decentralized, grass-roots network in every community in the state.

Third, we must accomplish a successful petition drive. That is, we must secure 50,000 legal signatures of registered Colorado voters. Only then will we even have the opportunity of choice at the ballot box. Only then will we be allowed to wage a political battle by voting.

While each of these projects are formidable tasks we believe each to be doable. Only with a wide-spread grass-roots network, dedicated volunteers, appropriate legislation, and fiscal responsibility, will we accomplish this objective.

Let's address finances right here. We must recognize that an appropriate bottom line must be achieved. Since it is unlikely that
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Let's address finances right here. We must recognize that an appropriate bottom line must be achieved. Since it is unlikely that large special interests will fund this proposal, we the people must. We believe that a successful bottom line resides somewhere in the $250,000 neighborhood. A successful petition may cost as much as $50,000. We the people have it. If we ante up.

**STEP #1:** Join the Hemp Initiative Project (H.I.P.) team. Become a member today. One dollar today is as valuable as ten dollars a year from now.

**STEP #2:** Buy H.I.P. products. We will be offering you only the highest quality goods available.

**STEP #3:** Refer your family, friends, and neighbors to us.

**STEP #4:** Spread information everywhere. It's the information age!

**STEP #5:** Register to vote, advocate the same to your family and friends.

**STEP #6:** Volunteer. Circulate a petition. One good volunteer today is as valuable as ten volunteers next year.

**STEP #7:** VOTE ON NOVEMBER 3, 1992

If 2,000 people join the H.I.P. team by January 1, 1992, we will have the funds to successfully petition onto the '92 ballot. Become one of those folks today. Please join this effort to become the first state in the union to legalize hemp and marijuana. Only with YOUR help will we have the opportunity to accomplish this issue for ourselves. Buy one of our promotional items today. Distribute literature. Start today. Win on November 3, 1992.

If we the people are to be successful in this effort, WE is the key word. Waiting for others to accomplish this mission is foolhardy. Every single individual can contribute in some way. Many folks fear visibility, and that is understandable given our government's predilection for confiscating private property without due process. That is why grass-roots, person-to-person action is so important. If we fear our government today, what will it be like for our children in the 21st century? It is imperative that we speak out and take action now. Activism may take invisible forms.

*Make copies of important information.

*Spread this information to all of your friends, family, and neighbors.

Jefferson County business meeting, 7pm, 1090 S. Wadsworth, call 233-8037 for info.

Denver 27 Sept - 6 Oct
Freedom School with Kevin and Patricia Cullinane; attendance is limited, call 303-484-8184 for info.

Denver 29 Sept
Hemp Tour with Jack Herer; 1:00pm on Capitol west steps. Also 27th in Ft. Collins, 28th in Colorado Springs, and 30th in Boulder.

Denver 1 Oct
Monthly meeting, Denver H.I.P. elections; call 321-6780 for place and time.

*Network with everyone possible. Use computer bulletin boards and fax machines.

*Register to vote. VOTE. This effort will be futile unless we vote. The system of repression will not change otherwise.

Help circulate a petition. Sign a petition. Realistically, we must secure 100,000 signatures to insure success. Please volunteer now. We need at least 1,000 petitioners to secure 100 signatures each next year during the petition drive. That translates to approximately 6-8 hours of work for each volunteer. It must be done.

Sooner or later hemp will be legalized somewhere. Personally, I would like to see Colorado be the first state in the union to accomplish this. Not only will this send an unmistakable message that Colorado is the freest state, but it will give us a headstart in economic development. We can soon be the world's leading workshop in research and development for hemp products for industrial, nutrient, and medical applications.

Let's get started, TODAY!

Excerpted from an article in the H.I.P. newsletter. For more information about joining H.I.P., available products (T-shirts, bumper stickers, books), or to volunteer or contribute funds, call H.I.P. at 303-470-1100 ext. 311, or write to 1015 S. Gaylord St., #181, Denver, CO 80209.