LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF VIRGINIA

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FROM THE CHAIR

I recently received an appeal for help from the Students for a Libertarian Society (SLS). Some of you may have also received the letter.

Development of College libertarian organizations is vital for two reasons. First, the campus is, in general, the center of intellectual development in the country. Attempting to advance national thinking outside the campus is a kin to infulencing national media people by sending news releases to Oasis, Nevada. Education is a key part of our efforts and must be accommplished if we are to keep our liberty once it is restored. There is no better place to educate than in the schools.

The second reason to develop college organization is that the LP needs workers and votes (see Ed Clark's message elsewhere in the newsletter regarding votes). Until the LP has permanent ballot status in all 50 states we are going to have to repeatedly go through the process of ballot petition drives. The college is the best place to get petitioners and signitures.

The LP now has student contact at William and Mary, Washington and Lee, George Mason, Germanna Community College, and Virginia Tech. The number of schools with libertarian organizations should be at least tripled by mid-November but SLS needs money. It may already be too late to substantially help Ed Clark's campaign, but an existing network of SLS chapters in Virginia would be invaluable if we run a gubernatorial candidate in 1981. Please send what you think to be an appropriate

contribution to: SLS, 1620 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94111. If you know of a student who seems a likely libertarian please notify Jeff Friedman, SLS, 1435 E. Capitol St., Washington, S.C. 20003, (202)546-2550,1. If that student is in VA. notify the LPV as well.

My penmanship leaves a lot to be desired and I don't type. Members will just have to put up with it but I'd like to be able to send something that looks better to people outside the party. In addition, we need to be able to send out news releases for the LPV. The workload would be less than 5 letters per month and perhaps 4-5 news releases per year. If any of you would be willing to act as Corresponding Secretary for the LPV Please contact me.

Stew Engel Owens, VA-22532

The editor would like to thank Jarret Wollstien and Julie O'Brien for their help with the production of the state newsletter.

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Have you ever wished you had a sample speech to work with rather than having to write one entirely from scratch? Or have you ever wondered how other libertarians are addressing specific issues to the pub-

LP National Headquarters wants to compile a file to provide members with just such information. For example, let's say you have to give a speech at the local Kiwanis Club on gun control or foreign policy. National Headquarters, in reponse to your requests would like to be able to provide you with copies of speeches given by other libertarians on those topics. The same holds true if you need to write an editorial for a local newspaper, radio, or TV spot - any other occassions where libertarians will be communicating our philosophy and platform to the public.

But to provide such a service we need your participation. Material to fill our files must come from LP activists around the country.

Please contact libertarians in your region and ask them to forward to National Headquarters copies of any speeches, editorials, or letters-to-the-editor that they have written. Remember we are interested in anything that libertarians have written on any topic for communication to the general public.

1980 will be a tremendously exciting year for us all. Ed Clark's Presidential campaign and those of hundreds of libertarians who will be running for local and state-wide office will put to use the talents of every libertarian who can speak or write on issues of the day. What ever you can send us will be needed and very much appreciated.

If you have any questions feel free to call.

Thank you.

National Headquarters

state LP. State Coordinator of the Clark for President Committee is Chris Wronsky, 3014 Park Ave., Richmond, Va. 23221 (804) -359-3757. The new Membership Chairman is Jim Turney, 2820Hull St., Richmond, Va. 23224 (804)-231-7379.

LISTEN-

If we are going to carry Virginia in November we ought to have Ed and David on the ballot. Ballot status will require 10,000 valid signatures. Considering the way the election board responded to our requests to begin the drive in October, I think we should collect 20,000. That's a lot of signatures.

The official kickoff of this ballot drive will be March 22 when we expect the weather to break and registered voters to sprout up at outdoor events where their signatures will be more easily harvested. However, it would be encourging to have a monstrous signature collecting organization. Indeed it would prove the superiority of voluntary individual efforts to the coercion of a committee (and me) if we had all of the signatures before March 22 and the kickoff meeting became a celebration party.

A few of you have been chomping at the bit to get started on this right now and have even been a little impatient. You will have a stack of petitions by the time you read this. Remember that you will have to use a separate sheet for each city and county. For those of you from whom we have not heard since '76 I urge you to get back in contact. We need you.

To volunteer and for more details on the drive please contact me by post or phone.

> Chris Wronsky 3014 Park Avenue Richmond, VA 23221 (804) 359-3757

CONGRATULATIONS

to Richard Gardiner and Mike Maddox for a job well - done in the November '79 elections.

Richard, who ran for a state Senate seat, recieved a substantial 8.6% of the

Mike, whose budget for his race for a seat on the county Board Of Supervisors was \$0.00, recieved approximately 5% of the vote.

Two vacancies have been filled in the has been completed and we are ready to The brochure for the Speakers Bureau place speakers. There are a number of big names in the bureau including; Hospers, MacBride, Clark, Rothbard, David Friedman, and others. If you think you can place a speaker for us contact Jarret Wollstien 2509 Duxbury Pl., Alexandria, Va. 22308 (703) 780-7606.

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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S NATCOM REPORT JULE R. HERBERT, JR.

The first LP NatCom meeting since the national convention was held in Des Moines, Iowa, on November 10-11, 1979. The meeting was held in conjuction with a Clark for President reception attended by several hundred Iowans. Ed Clark made state-wide news by calling for the dis-invitation of the Shah of Iran from New York. Clark pointed out that the State Department had warned Carter of the possible violent reaction in Iran to the government's giving asylum to the overthrown despot, but he had ignored this advice and have failed to take the possibility of conflict.

A summary of the Committee Meeting and LP new as reported to the committee:

- (1) Cyndy Ighan resigned as headquarters office manager; replaced by hiring Frances Eddy of Boston and the promotion of Gillian Jewel.
- (2) Party agreed to purchase portable LP booth.
- (3) The 1980 platform is available from national office.
- (4) Chris Hocker has moved to the Clark for President Committed as its National Coordinator.
- (5) Bill Burt was named to replace Hocker as National Director.
- (6) Chariman of the Membership Committee is to be appointed at next meeting, if interested contact regional rep.
- (7) The Advertising/Publications
 Committee was reformulated
 with Bergland, Rothbard, and
 Poole. This writer's motion
 to retain Bill Evers, former
 editor of LP News and editor
 of Inquiry, failed. A motion
 carried to provide that the
 committee's failure to object
 to submitted within 15 days
 constituted approval.
- (8) A decision was reached not to have a 1980 convention; the Clark committee will take reponsiblility for regional gatherings.

- (9) Denver, Colorado, will be the site of the 1981 national convention.
- (10) A proposal to establish a working platform committee to begin work on a 1981 platform will be considered at the next NatCom meeting. LP members interested in being on this committee should contact their regional rep.
- (11) The NatCom imposed a new rule on itself that only items of business submitted 21 days in advance in writing to the committee could be voted on without a 2/3 vote to consider.
- (12) The LP officially affiliated with C.A.R.D. (Committee Against Registration and the Draft.)
- (13) The Finance Committee is newly comprised of M. L. Hansen, Chair; Fred Esser, Joe Yancey, James Blanchard, John Hilberg, and David Padden.
- (14) The next meeting of the NatCom will be February 2-3, 1980, in Scottsdale, Arizona. Deadline for submission of new items of business: January 12.

Jule R. Herbert, Jr. 1113 C Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003 (202) 543-1300 (o) (202) 547-4955 (h)

As usual, money is a problem and will probably continue to be until after the elections. If you are delinquent in your pledge, or are willing to make a special contribution, please send to LPV, Box 26112, Richmond, Va. 23260.

Dear Libertarian:

Young people, especially students, form the backbone of any successful movement for change. They have the enthusiasm, the willingness to consider new ideas, the courage of their convictions that so many of their elders lack. During my campaign for Governor a disproportionately large share of the activists were libertarian college students. My campaign consistently drew more votes from college precincts. This pattern should hold for libertarian candidates in 1980.

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That's why I sat down to write this brief note. The best vehicle for organizing and reaching out to students is an organization of students—specifically Students for a Libertarian Society. They have done so much in so little time and it would literally be a disaster to see them fail for lack of funds. I've contributed what I can because I know how important their work is. I'd like to ask you to reach into your pockets as well. Nineteen eighty depends on it.

Sincerely,

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