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Salander Pursues Write-In Campaign

Paul Salander, write-in candidate for Treasurer of the State of Illinois, has filed with the following counties to become a write-in candidate: Bureau, Champaign, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Lake, La Salle, Kane, Lee, McHenry, McLean, Will, and Sangamon. Paul will file in any other county if anyone requests he do so.

In order for a write-in vote to be counted, the voter must: 1.) Give the title of the office, 2.) Give the name of the candidate, 3.) There must be a box to the left of the candidate's name with an (X) in it.

Example:

Office of State Treasurer

Paul Salander

Olofson Heats Up Campaign

by *Kenneth Prazak*

Glenn Olofson, Libertarian candidate for the third state legislative district in Chicago, is planning a leafletting day on Sunday, October 21st. Glenn has been the Party's most active petitioner in the past three elections. He also has organized booths at many summer fairs for the previous two years, promoting the Libertarian Party. Glenn has donated much of his time to libertarian causes and has been effective doing so. It's time that members of the Libertarian Party pay him back for his hard work. I urge that people help Glenn leaflet his district. An effective campaign will assure permanent ballot status in his district. Call Glenn at 312-274-6895.

Winning —

A Possibility in November

by *Kenneth Prazak*

Item: On a recent Don and Roma Talk/Call-In show on WLS AM (50,000 watt) radio, Bob Marshall received ten calls, all in favor of his candidacy and against Rostenkowski.

Item: Preliminary telephone polling indicates that half of the people that have made up their mind, will vote for Marshall in the coming election. There is still a large undecided group.

Item: Rostenkowski keeps on helping us in our campaign. In the recent vote on the defeated budget plan that would raise an array of taxes, Rostenkowski was the only Illinois Democrat to vote in favor of the plan.

Item: A Tacoma lawyer who had never been a judge and had no intention of winning, unseated a well-respected chief justice in Washington state. His campaign spent \$500.

Item: The DIP (Dump Incumbent Politicians) movement nationally and locally is catching on like wildfire. Local talk show host and libertarian, Stacy Taylor, has started a DIP "chain letter"

campaign. The idea is to send ten letters to friends or acquaintances suggesting they dump all incumbent politicians, and have them send ten letters repeating the process.

This prairie fire of dissatisfaction burns brightly. When will another golden opportunity to elect a libertarian to such a high office as Congressman appear? Rostenkowski represents, better than any other politician, the deep-seated dissatisfaction of the citizenry for Congress.

"How can I help," you say?

Help our phone canvassing effort and/or walk a precinct. With enough volunteers, we can cover the whole district spending limited amounts of money doing so in our "guerilla" campaign. Call Ken Prazak, 708-810-1974.

If you don't have the time to help in this way, the campaign can sure use as large a contribution as you can afford.

If not now, when; if not us, then who?

National Tax Protest – Taxpayer’s Action Day

Rostenkowski’s Office – Saturday, October 27

Bring your brooms and sweep all incumbents out of office. This national tax protest is organized by the Council for Citizens against Government Waste and has formed a coalition with Americans for Tax Reform, the National Taxpayer’s Union, Citizens for a Sound Economy, and Eagle Forum as well as other national and local grassroots organizations.

Protesters will congregate in front of Congressional offices throughout the country protesting waste, arrogance and the inability to reduce spending by Congress. Locally, we will meet in front of the Rostenkowski’s office the most hated person Congress, at 2148 N. Damen, in Chicago, on the morning of October 27. Other protests will be occurring in front of other Congressional offices at the same time. Then all local protests will meet at 12:00 noon in front of the Federal Building in Chicago, for one massive protest. Local contact for the Rosty protest: Ken Prazak, 708-810-1974. If you would like to organize your own local protest, call 1-800-Be-Angry.

Tobin Endorses Marshall

Jim Tobin, Chairman of the Angry Taxpayers Action Committee (ATAC), sponsor of the Tax Accountability Amendment, and President of the National Taxpayers United of Illinois (NTUI), has endorsed Libertarian Robert Marshall in the eighth Congressional District against Rostenkowski. Speaking at a Marshall fund-raising dinner, Sunday, October 7th, Tobin stated that Marshall is a long-time fighter against the tax eaters. Also appearing at the dinner was State Senator Walter Dudycz, who is running for Congress in the district just north of Rostenkowski’s. Dudycz thinks Marshall has an excellent chance of winning. He receives countless inquiries from constituents hoping he is running against Rostenkowski. He is yet to talk to anyone who supports the man.

*** News Flash ***

National (Socialist) Public Radio has just reported that a libertarian party has been formed in the USSR. They held their first rally protesting the criminalization of prostitution. One sign said, “One nuclear submarine buys 50 million condoms.” Protesters were handing out free condoms, which are rather scarce in the USSR.

FIJA’s 1990 Jury Rights Conference

The Fully Informed Jury Amendment Committee (FIJA) will hold a convention on the weekend of November 9-11 in St. Louis, Missouri. The FIJA weekend will include panel discussions and workshops including common law jury tradition, civil law, jury selection and Motions in Limine. Proposed FIJA Amendments will also be drafted. For more information, contact Don Doig, P.O. Box 59, Helmville, MT 59843; phone, 406-793-5550.

T-Shirts for Sale

Libertarian Party of Illinois T-shirts are for sale for \$10. Spread the word, and help the Party at the same time. Make checks out to Libertarian Party of Illinois and send to P.O. Box 313, Chicago, IL 60690.

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WAKING THE LIBERTARIAN TIGER

by Jeanette Clinkunbroomer

To say that the power of the state resides in each of us as citizens and voters is corny and beyond belief. And, in view of the fate of the Tax Accountability Amendment and the Harold Washington Party, this statement seems hardly true anymore in Illinois.

But how did the current political establishment establish? How did the incumbents get into office? Largely by default, and by who's default but our own? The flip side of liberty is self-responsibility, ... and that includes Eternal Vigilance.

By the look of things, we've fallen asleep.

Wake Up! Wake Up!

The stats, socialists, and sermonizing busybodies have had their chance. Now it's time for us to take back our government while something remains salvageable.

What can we do? We don't even have anyone to vote for this November, except Paul Salander (for State Treasurer, write-in), Bob Marshall (US Congress, 8th District), and Glen Olofson (State Assembly, 3rd District.) However, this allows most of us the spare time to begin working on Campaign '92.

Assuming that every Libertarian has two or three politically sympathetic friends, and that they each have two or three more friends, why not start a local club? Put away your Robert's Rules of Order for the time being, and just get all these people together at a local pub, restaurant, or someone's rec room. This need not take up more than two or three hours a month, and it's actually fun to talk politics with others who are interested, to commiserate about what's wrong with the world, and to discuss what you, as Libertarians, REALLY can do to fix it. And you can.

Some actual, concrete, non-theoretical, practical, everyday suggestions on what you can do are listed below. You can do one or two of these things on your own, but a club is more fun. A club provides camaraderie, moral support, reduces the burn-out factor, and in some communities, can take on the features of an influential Bloc-of Voters.

Try Some of These Activities:

Attend a town meeting, particularly when it takes the form of a public hearing on education, zoning laws, property taxes, etc. Step up to the podium and let them hear you!

Write letters to the editor. Offer a well-considered argument and a few facts on your chosen subject, and feel free to sign as Libertarian Committee-person or Precinct Captain in your area.

The State Central Committee is collecting a library of audio and video tapes that will be available to Party members.

(Public libraries also offer hundreds of books that present a Libertarian perspective on current issues; books by Milton Friedman, Ayn Rand, Robert Ringer, for example.) Plan an informal discussion group around these materials.

Sponsor a booth at a local fair or carnival. We can provide literature to distribute, or you may contact *Advocates for Self-Government*, 940 Bremer, Fresno, CA 93728 and purchase entire presentation kits and bundles of brochures. This will be a terrific way to get petitions signed, too, for the upcoming '92 elections.

Write letters to local officials, state representatives, congress-people and senators. Again, sign as a Libertarian.

Independence Day presents a golden opportunity every year to paint a banner and march in local parades. If you've got a classic car or can design a float — more power to you. A picnic afterwards for Party members, "fellow travelers" and families is lots of fun.

For clubs — invite a local official to come on down and meet with you. Or, make certain to attend local meetings scheduled by officials. (They do a lot of this in election years.) Usually, a question-&-answer period is included. Go ahead and ask tough questions about tax increases, US policy in Iraq, and the public schools.

Many communities have public-access cable TV facilities, and many of these operations are begging for people to participate. Often some training is required, which the station provides. Usually there are a few restrictions: cable shows cannot be used to sell specific products or to promote a particular political candidate. However, you can present talk-show discussion panels on nearly any subject, or do your own five-minute editorial. They may even agree to run Libertarian-produced videos.

If you've got a local call-in TV or radio show (such as WLS-AM radio in the Chicago area), call in and give them your brilliant Libertarian opinions. Try to mention our information telephone numbers, too. (Nat'l: 1-800-682-1776. Ill: 708-299-7564)

Join other organizations: the NRA, ABATE, the League of Women Voters, or single-issue groups, both local and national. Let them know you're a Libertarian, and that you share their interests and concerns. It's a great way to meet other community-minded people, and to find recruits for your Libertarian club.

Many communities can't find people to staff the local school board or accept other non-paying (or nominally-paying) positions in local government. They need people to sit on planning commissions and to spend a few hours a week/month on fact-finding for investigative committees. Hey, if the Republicrats don't want to do it, it's a solid way for Libertarians to get a foot in the door.

But Seriously, Folks....

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An Advanced Peek at the 1991 Convention

The 1991 "Liberty Triumphant" National Libertarian Convention will feature a traditional exhibit hall where purveyors of libertarian goods, special interest groups, potential candidates, and think-tanks/educational groups, can meet convention attendees and display their products.

The exhibit hall is truly that, a separate room, adjacent to the convention hall. In addition to the usual (and oft unusual) exhibits, the hall will contain several unique features that the Libertarian Education Institute (LEI) LTD. believes will meet with (nearly) universal approval. In response to suggestions LEI received from the questionnaires they handed out at the previous convention in Philadelphia, LEI is adding two additional features to the hall: first LEI has contracted with the hotel to have a refreshment stand set up. The stand will have libations such as coffee, tea and soda, and energy food such as cookies, candy, and fruit available throughout the hours the convention is open. This should prove to be a popular place so tables and chairs to sit and chat will also be provided. Second, another section of the hall will contain a TV and VCR viewing area to enable visitors and exhibitors to view C-SPAN coverage of the convention. The same area will be used during evening hours to show libertarian videos and movies for those not participating in other events. Suggestions and loans are most welcome.

Two levels of exhibit space will be available — the standard six foot by thirty-inch tables and an eight by ten-foot booth, complete with draping, back drop and sign. While prices have not yet been established, LEI expects only a nominal, if any, increase over the previous convention rate. LEI knows that attendees enjoy the exhibit hall and wants to encourage exhibitor participation.

Choice table locations will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. To be sure of receiving information on prices and location, those interested in exhibiting should write to LEI LTD., attention exhibit manager, Tim Griffin, P.O Box 0848, Chicago, IL 60690-0848.

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Doing this newsletter is a Big Job, but it must be done. The current editor is doing a great job, but he's beginning to burn out. He needs help! Call Ken if you would like to help out, 708-810-1974.

Sue
 Sue Walton, State Chair

Club Suggestions (con't)

The Libertarian Party (and that means each of us) is probably America's last chance to remain a free country. You see what happens when we just let George do it. And, remember Benjamin Franklin's words, "If we do not hang together, we will surely hang separately."

(The fifth page in this newsletter lists local contacts. Call those closest to you RIGHT NOW! Or, call me at 708-966-0565, evenings and weekends, about organizing a group in your area.)

LifeSource needs Blood!

Call Elaine Simpson 708-298-9660

Mention Code JB50 and she'll set-up an appointment close to your home or work.

Call soon,

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October 22

- NCCLP Supper Club, Monday, at Angelo's Restaurant & Lounge, 1418 West Morse, Chicago, one-half block west of the Morse EL. Angelo's serves alcohol; it's the Rogers Park equivalent to LCD's Minuette. 7 PM.

October 28

- Marshall for Congress Fund-raising Dinner, Sunday, 6:00 PM, at the Party House, call 708-795-1655

October 29

- Illinois Valley Libertarian Association, meeting Monday, 7:00 P.M., at Scott Tillman's, 1218 Henrietta, Pekin, meets every last Monday of the month, call Scott Tillman, 309-353-1500.

November 5

- DuPage Libertarian Club, Monday, 6:30 P.M. at the Minuette Restaurant, Ogden and Main St., Lisle, IL. Meets first Monday of every month same place and time. For more info: Steve Nelson, 708-969-1088.

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**Annual Christmas Party, North Cook
 Libertarian Club, December 13, 7:00 P.M., at
 the Henry George School.**

Contact Greg Bezdek, 708-251-2870.

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