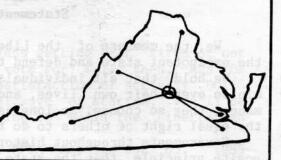
VIRGINIA LIBERTARIAN





Well, friends, election '84 is finally over. There were numerous bright spots this year in state and local elections, although our performance on the national front was dismal at best. Many states, all of them with a good number of Libertarian voters, did not have Bergland on the ballot. I believe that is where we lost the most critical part of the votes we collected in 1980. I have not gotten exact figures, but I have heard that roughly 250,000 voted Bergland. By my guess, we probably would have gotten 360,000 if we had had ballot status in all 50 states. Over the next four years, we have got to knock down ballot access restrictions through the courts. States generally increased restrictions after 1980, which meant we were forced to spend more money. Mark my words, there will be increasing numbers of states that will tighten requirements after this year, also. If we don't stay on top of this and try to keep restrictions to a minimum, we will have the pleasure of signing our own death warrant.

Alaska has elected yet another Libertarian, to the state Legislature, and there were impressive vote totals for other Libertarians in that state. If the Alaska LP keeps improving its track record like this, pretty soon Alaska will have to secede from the Union. The Fed (and all other state gov'ts.) will not like one stubborn, free state to become the example for the rest of the citizenry to emulate.

For \$1, payable to Marc Montoni (address in contacts list), I will send you the complete report, election-by-election, on the national, state and local races. Included are the candidates' names, what they tried for, and their vote totals with percentage of the total votes cast.

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Statement of Principles

We, the members of the Libertarian Party, challenge the cult of the omnipotent state and defend the rights of the individual.

We hold that all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they so choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to do the same.

Governments throughout history have regularly operated on the opposite principle, that the state has the right to dispose of the lives of individuals and the fruits of their labor without their consent.

We, on the contrary, deny the right of any government to do these things, and hold that where governments exist, they must not violate the rights of any individual; namely, 1) the right to life-accordingly we support prohibition of the initiation of physical force against others; 2) the right to liberty of speech and action-accordingly we oppose all attempts by government to abridge freedom of speech and press, as well as government censorship in any form; and 3) the right to property-accordingly we oppose all government interference with private property, such as confiscation, nationalization, and eminent domain, and support the prohibition of robbery, trespass, fraud, and misrepresentation.

Since governments, when instituted, must not violate individual rights, we oppose all governmental interference in the areas of voluntary and contractual relations among individuals. People should not be forced to sacrifice their lives or property for the benefit of others. They should be left free by government to deal with one another as free traders, and the resultant economic system, the only one compatible with the protection of individual rights, is the free market.

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from the chair

25 IN '85!

Are all of you Virginia Libertarians getting REAL tired of not having any Libertarian candidates to vote for? Well, then, RUN FOR OFFICE! Not only will you get the satisfaction of actively DOING something to help roll back the tidal wave of statism, you'll be spreading libertarian ideas and helping to build the Libertarian Party.

I am working on coordinating the LPVA Campaign for '85. 1985 offers a lot of opportunities for libertarians to run for numerous city and county supervisory boards, and for the House of Delegates. These are all local-oriented positions for which we can seriously

compete with small-scale campaigns.

Al Anders and I are already committed to running for House of Delegates, and we both could use lots of company. If you want to run for an office, please let me know now! We can help each other on issues research, getting media coverage, fundraising ideas, petitioning, and campaign strategies. If you would like to volunteer to assist candidates in your area, let us know soon.

Let's shoot for "25 in '85." We need 25 quality candidates for

the coming election, and you're IT.

---Jim Elwood

NOTE: See centerfold for House of Delegates district map. Check with your local election board for additional local information.

LIBERTARIAN GROUP OF THE MONTH

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CENTER

For those of you who think that you can't fight City Hall, here's some good advice: join forces with Reason Foundation's Local

Government Center project.

Their monthly bulletin, Fiscal Watchdog, covers different ideas on how to cut the cost of local government. If you are running for a local office (you are, aren't you?), this should prove an invaluable source of information to use on your opponents in debates.

For your membership fee of \$20.00 you will receive Fiscal Watch-

dog, edited by Bob Poole, for a year.

Send all requests for information and membership fees/contributions to: Local Government Center, c/o Reason Foundation, 1018 Garden St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101. PH:805-963-5993.

It is unwise for libertarians to berate each other when something "goes wrong" and one of our candidates fails to qualify for the ballot. The same thing happens to Democrats and Republicans,

including sitting Presidents!

No major party Presidential candidate who is recognized by the news media ever needs more than 5,000 valid signatures to get himself or herself on a Presidential ballot, except in New York, a Democratic candidate needs 10,000 valid signatures. These numbers compare favorably with the 148,000 that a Libertarian in Florida would need, or the 68,000 needed for a statewide libertarian in Georgia. Nevertheless, even though major party candidates face far smaller ballot requirements, they do manage to fail sometimes.

In New York in 1980, Jerry Brown's 18,000 signature petition was found to contain fewer than 10,000 valid ones, and he was thereby kept off the ballot. He unsuccessfully insisted that the requirement was unconstitutional. No one asked him about his home state of Cali-

fornia's 100,000-signature requirement for independents.

Also in 1980, John Anderson failed to get the 1,000 valid signatures required to get on the Republican Presidential primary in Pennsylvania. He forgot about the deadline until it was only three days

away, and his crash petitioning effort didn't succeed.

Even incumbent Presidents have had their names omitted from ballots. In 1948, Harry Truman missed the deadline to qualify as an independent in Alabama (as the Alabama Democratic Party refused to nominate him, he needed to qualify by petition, but failed.). The

same thing happened to LBJ in 1964.

State legislatures, controlled by Republicans and Democrats, have never written the election laws to keep either major party from being "state recognized." There is one instance in which the Republican Party polled such a low vote that it was disqualified as a major party, in Florida, after 1936. At the time, the state's law applied a 30% requirement for ballot status. However, no problem: the 1937 legislature simply reduced the percentage to 15%. Later, they reduced the requirement further, to 5%. Since no third party in ANY state in this country had then (nor has today) held as much as 5% of that state's registration, this law guarantees that the majors would remain safely qualified, while insuring that no upstart new party could qualify.

So, let's not develop an inferiority complex. If major party candidates, all of whom have matching funds, sometimes fail to collect 5,000 or 10,000 valid signatures, or miss deadlines, or if major parties in the past have polled lower than 2% of the vote for President (as happened to the Republicans in 1932 and 1936, with 1.9% and 1.4% respectively), we can surely forgive ourselves a few

imperfections!

LPVA STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

A regular meeting of the LPVA State Central Committee was called to order by the Chair at 1:00 pm., Sunday, October 28, 1984.

Members Present:

Jim Elwood, Chair; Henry Thrasher, Vice Chair; Cynthia Messina, Secretary; Paul Hite, Treasurer; David Saum, Membership Chair and NatCom Representative; Marc Montoni, Newsletter Editor; First District (Proxy) Phil Friday; Al Anders, Fourth District Chair Proxy.

Brief Account of the Meeting:

The treasurer reports a balance of \$499.85, which includes a few early returns from our fundraiser mailing for legal expenses. David Saum reported that we continue to receive new names from the Bergland campaign and National. Marc Montoni, Jim Elwood, and Ed Alexander were commended for many hours of work on the fundraiser mailing and the very professional newsletter. A Petty cah account was allocated for the Richmond LPVA office. A tentative date of March 23 & 24 has been proposed for our upcoming LPVA State Convention, with Ashland, Charlottesville, Richmond, and Williamsburg suggested as possible locations. Please give your district Chairs feedback on sites you feel would be appropriate to hold the convention at. The next SCC meeting will be at noon, Sunday, December 9th, at the Richmond office. All Committee officers and any other interested persons please try to attend.

LAWSUIT UPDATE: The LPVA lawsuit to force the state to allow writeins on the Presidential ballot was rejected by the Virginia Supreme Court, as were our other lawsuits pertaining to the other unconstitutional superglues the state uses to tie down third parties.

Submitted October 30, 1984 by Cynthia Messina, Secretary, LPVA.

LP DISTRICT REPORTS:

First District (Chair-Stew Engel):

Urbanna Town Councilman Phil Friday has turned his sights to getting us on the ballot in the future. We know what needs to be done, now: due to our size at present, we must begin gathering momentum early. Anyone interested in helping Phil with this project, contact him NOW. He will need to know early who he can "enlist". If you can't or won't help him out with your time, please send LPVA a contribution today, and specify that it is for the BALLOT ACCESS FUND.

Second District (Chair-Buddy L. Mountjoy):

Continued

Al Anders and Henry Thrasher [who?] have been holding regular meetings. See the calendar for their next meeting.

Virginia Beach member Mark Lee held his first local meeting. All interested parties should contact Mark for future meetings. Call or write Henry Thrasher, Vice Chairman, for more information.

Al Anders reports that a non-partisan tax association is forming, also in Virginia Beach. Is there no end to things happening in Va. Beach?

Third District (Chair-Ed Alexander):

Regular Richmond area meetings are being planned with a possible local newsletter. Call LPVA office for more details.

Marc Montoni, the newsletter editor, still wants to receive your news, articles, and opinions. Please send them today!!! Remember, it might not get to me through the U.S. Snail by the next deadline if you don't do it today...

Fourth District (Chair-Mike Ridgeway): See Second District Report.

Fifth District (Chair-vacant):

Anyone wishing to take on the position of Chair in this District are encouraged to file an application with the state Party. Please include address, phone #, and qualifications. Duties will, of course, include attending SCC meetings, and acting as a coordinator of activities in your area.

Sixth District (Chair-Frewen Wilson):

A Roanoke member is forming a local group for discussion activities/political activities. Contact Alan R. Hock for more information. His address is: 2612 Avenham Ave., Roanoke, VA 24014.

Seventh District (Chair-John Kiley):

The Libertarian Student Association at the University of VA. is meeting weekly and drawing from 15 to 50 people for political discussions. For details, contact LSA President Dan Garrett, P.O. Box 521, Newcome Hall, Charlottesville, VA 22901. 804-971-2962. Current meeting schedule is in this month's calendar.

Libertarian International's Vince Miller spoke at the Oct. 30th meeting of the UVa LSA.

NOTE: UVa Library is the home of the Libertarian Party archives and the interesting collection is open to the public.

Eighth District (Chair-Richard Gardiner): next page --->

See 'Lawsuit Update' above for Richard's report.

Ninth District (Chair-Michael Large): No Report. Michael Large, who is now in law school, reports that he is having encouraging success in getting other students at his school interested in libertarian ideas. We wish you luck in school, Michael, and hope to have you back when you're through college!

Tenth District (Chair-Dan Rothenhoefer): Anyone interested in helping get things going again for 8th and 10th districts please contact Marjie or Dan Rothenhoefer before the 1st of December. See Calendar for upcoming events.

Lynchburg (Coordinator-Tom Carwile): A new activist has moved in from Maryland and has begun to organize a local group. Those interested should contact Eddie Howard at 703-384-3881 or Tom Carwile. (See Contact list.)

Arlington (Coordinator-Margie Rothenhoefer): See 10th District.

Tidewater (Coordinator-Al Anders): See calendar for 2nd District's monthly meeting.

(If there is no news from your district, it doesn't mean there isn't any. Dig some up and send it in to your editor!)

"When you strike at a king, you must kill him."
---Ralph Waldo Emerson, l ---Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1803-1882

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



-- Marc Montoni

BAH HUMBUG!



--- Anonymous

LONDON '84 LIBERTARIAN INTERNATIONAL

- 1062 DR. WALTER BLOCK
 Statist Roots of Economic Problems
- 1063 PANEL DEBATE on Block and Williams lectures with John Burton and Arthur Seldon
- 1064 DR. NIGEL ASHFORD

 The Continuing Keynesian Menace
- 1065 JOHN BURTON
 Trade Union Power:
 Significance and Ramifications
- 1066 PETER BREGGIN
 The Psychiatric Holocoust:
 Psychiatry in Nazi Germany & Now
- 1067 ARTHUR SELDON

 Down with Democracy
- 1068 ROBERT LEFEVER
 Failure in Britain of the Medical
 Health Scheme and the Morality
 of Free Market Medicine

- 1069 ROBERT POOLE JR.

 Defending a Free Society
- 1070 PROFESSOR JOACHIM MAITRE Isolationism (making the world safe for Communism)
- 1072 PANEL DEBATE
 On the Soviets with George Miller
 Count Tolstoy, Aleksa Djilas, and
 Dr. Alexander Shtromas
- 1073 BRIAN CROZIER
 Foreign Policy and Freedom
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NOVEMBER

27-Tuesday-7:00 pm. Peabody Bldg rm 110 at UVa.

WHAT: Libertarian Student Association Meeting: Feminism,
Individualism, and Libertarianism. What does libertarianism
have to offer feminists? Might feminists have gone wrong in
their solicitations of government? We will draw from Wendy
McElroy's Freedom, Feminism, and the State. Members of
Charlottesville NOW have been invited to attend this one.

DECEMBER

4-Tuesday-7:00 pm. Peabody 110 at UVa.

WHAT: LSA meeting: The Fountainhead. The English Department is showing this movie at 5pm and 8 pm. We will go to one showing, probably the 5pm, and then, pending the department's approval, host a discussion afterwards. The movie was scripted by Ayn Rand, and should provoke an interesting discussion of her ideas. *** NOTE: This will be the last LSA meeting until next semester.

9-Sunday-4:00 pm. LPVA Hdqrtrs, 824 W. Broad St., Richmond. WHAT: Newsletter mailing party. Free refreshments. All area members are asked to attend, to help spread the load.

9-Sunday-1:00 pm. LPVA Hdqrtrs, 824 W. Broad St., Richmond.
WHAT: State Central Committee Meeting. All area members are encouraged and welcome to attend.

12-Wednesday-9:00 pm. Bob's Big Boy on Leesburg Pike near Arlington. WHAT: Arlington-8th and 10th-District meeting. Election Results will be discussed, along with candidacy plans for 1985. Call Dan or Marjie Rothenhoefer for more info. (See Contact list)

21-Friday-9:00 pm. Contact Marjie or Dan Rothenhoefer for location. WHAT: Winter Solstice Party, sponsored by the Arlington LP members. Come one, come all! Anyone resembling a Libertarian is welcome.

26-Wednesday-10:00 am. 9th Street Office Building, Richmond.
WHAT: State Board of Elections meeting. Open to the public. I strongly suggest that a good number of us start attending these meetings so we can show our disapproval of their mischief-making. A good idea would be for all libertarian attendees to take notes on oppressive new policies that the Board members propose or approve at these meetings, and to write letters-to-the-editor of local newspapers on these hot-off-the-press stories.

JANUARY

9-Wednesday-12:00 am. House of Delegates building, Richmond.
WHAT: State Senate and House of Delegates convene for their annual
Opression-Session the second Wednesday of each year, and 1985
is of course no exception. The first meeting will begin at

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(CALENDAR, continued)

12:00 pm, and I am told by Reliable Source (the State) that initially the meetings will last only 30 minutes or an hour or thereabouts until bills begin coming through Committees, usually within two weeks. This is something else we need to stay on top of with letters to the editor.

MARCH

23 and 24-Saturday and Sunday-all day-Location TBA (Charlottesville is presently the favored location).

WHAT: 1985 Libertarian Party of Virginia State Convention. We will be selecting new officers for the Virginia LP, so please try to come. We will have 8-10 speakers and several workshops on how to run state and local campaigns. Contributions to help defray expenses of the Convention should be made payable to LPVA and sent to Paul Hite (address in Contacts list). Please specify that you want the contribution to go to the Convention Fund.

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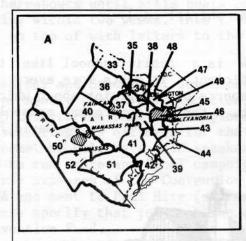
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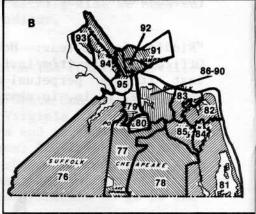
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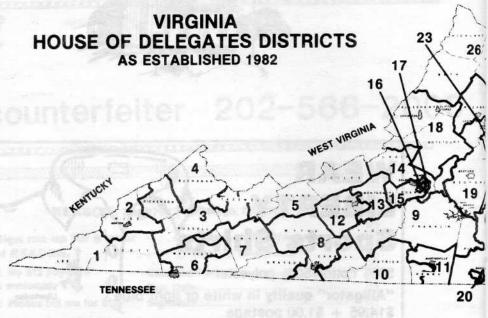


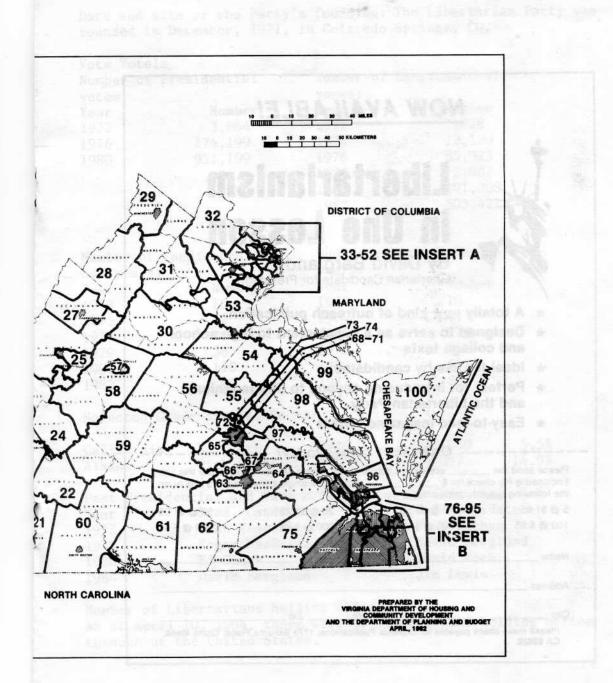




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1983	90	1982	862	

Selected Gubernatorial Races:

California	Ed Clark	1978	377,960	5.5%
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Alaska	Dick Randolph	1982	29,067	14.7/0

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Year	Pres. Candidate	V-P Candidate
1972	John Hospers	Toni Nathan
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---Cynthia Messina

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

NEWSLETTER: As you can see, this issue has been substantially expanded to make more room for ads, pictures, etc. And to keep it filled up, once again I demand YOUR news and articles!!! I can not continue for very long my current habit of compromising my college studies so I can spend hours digging up facts and in general composing all-original material for the newsletter. So instead of making me do all your work, why don't you help me out by collecting libertarian tidbits and then SEND THEM IN!!!

FUNDRAISER: Most of you should have received our latest fundraising packet. It has been about a month since it went out, so why don't you turn to page 18, cut out the pledge form, and send in a contribution for this month? Even if it is only \$1 or \$5, WE NEED EVERY PENNY! LPVA is on the move once again, activists are gathering steam, this newsletter is back on the rails, and contributions and memberships are on the rise. In short, our freedom train is starting to mooovvvvve!!!! We are a lot smarter now and as a result, things are moving rather quickly for campaigns on the state level for 1985. We have a little suprise cooking that should prove incredibly profitable in terms of publicity for the LPVA as a whole. For 1985 and beyond, we are the Ones To Watch!!!

Unless, of course, YOU would rather not see libertarian ideas gain acceptance, and therefore don't want this Party to succeed. In that case, then DON'T send us any contributions, and DON'T bother helping put together mailings, etc.

THANK YOU'S: A round of applause, please, for Tom Hartung, of Richmond, who got a good letter to the editor printed in the Richmond Times-Dispatch on November 3rd. It dealt with the unconstitutional prohibition against writing-in David Bergland in Virginia.

A point should be made, here: In the past three or four months, I have gotten five letters I wrote printed in usually seven out of

the ten newspapers that I sent a copy of each to. This only goes to prove how easy it is to get printed, and this obviously translates to better exposure for libertarian ideas, and subsequently more potential recruits. And it's the easiest thing you can do! I usually spend about thirty minutes writing these letters, and most of that time is spent addressing, sealing and sending them to my target newspapers. You don't even have to spend that much time if you're going to target only one newspaper. Just type up a couple of paragraphs about your chosen subject, and send it in. Make sure you make your point in a concise manner.

HUMBLE APOLOGIES AND LAME EXCUSES DEPARTMENT: Please forgive me for last issue's boo-boo, to wit: approximately 20% of the newsletters mailed had one page mis-collated, which screwed up the rest of the issue and absolutely TRASHED the nice index on the first page.

Back to the drawing board ...

NOW-ON-WITH-THE-STORY-DEPARTMENT: Some of you have wondered about my motive for writing "Whither Libertarianism" in the last issue.

While it may on the surface appear that I think like a New Right or radical Marxist reactionary, my only intention was to point to the fact that the potential is definitely there for some kind of internal subversion, and each of us must be prepared to face the possibility.

The question must be asked, if only to keep us from kidding ourselves about whether we are safe from the wolf in the fold.

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