

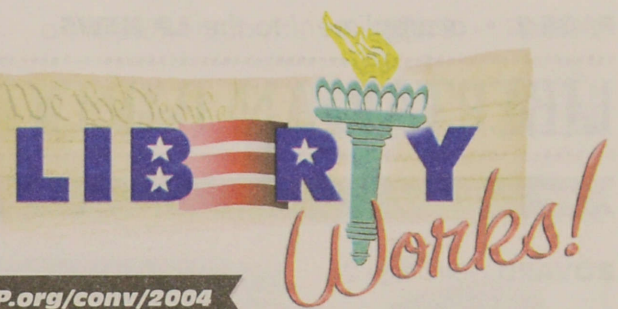


# LIBERTARIAN PARTY 2004 NATIONAL CONVENTION

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## The Convention is Open to Everyone!

by Nancy Neale

### CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

I assume you've all been reading my Convention columns these past months in the *LP News*. As you can see the main "theme" of the 2004 LP National Convention is "LIBERTY Works!" (I hope you like the neat logo.) We have selected Dr. Mary Ruwart to give the "Keynote" Address to kick off the weekend.

The underlying concept is that non-government solutions to society's needs work so much better than government programs (which often cause more harm than good). Although not every speaker or event will fit strictly into this theme, one of our goals is to give us all some ammunition especially when talking to people on the left. We've been pretty successful in talking about economic freedoms but often fall short in selling the concepts of personal freedoms to most people who feel that the only way to address these "problems" is with a government program. We want to be able to sell the concept that Liberty Does Work!

There will be many topics discussed, to educate us and to inspire us. And as I've tried to stress, the Convention is not just for Delegates. You do have to be a party member and a credentialed Delegate to participate in the Business Sessions. But in addition to those, there will be a wide variety of speakers, in the Workshops, at the meals and some in the Main Convention Hall (where the Business Sessions take place).

Concurrent with the Business on Friday and Saturday, there will be two tracks of Workshop Sessions, one primarily for ideology and one for "nuts and bolts" campaign, candidate and outreach training. There will be one track of "outreach" Workshops on Sunday, which will be free and

open to the public, and advertised locally, geared toward newcomers.

Remember that if you wish to be a Delegate, you must be a party member and you must follow the procedures through your own state party for becoming a Delegate.

But all the Workshops and all the speakers in the Main Hall, all the meals (with speakers) and the social events can be attended by anyone. So I encourage you to tell your friends about the Convention.

Of course one of the highlights of this Convention is the Presidential Nomination. The Agenda of the Business will be set by the Chair, in accordance with the party Bylaws. The Presidential and VP nominations, election of party officers and LNC will most likely take place on Sunday. If you're a Delegate, you can be involved in the process; if not, you are welcome to observe this and any Business Sessions.

You can read here about some of the speakers (plus Jimmie Vaughan). As we are still acquiring new speakers we cannot at this time put any particular speaker into a particular time-slot. As soon as we know, we'll try to get the info onto the website and into future additions of this Convention "brochure" insert; and there will be many more speaker bios next month.

The Friday night Concert featuring Jimmie Vaughan will also be promoted in Atlanta as a regular concert event. We are securing the talents of other great musicians to open for Jimmie, and we'll tell you about them next time. This will be a fantastic concert!

Make your hotel reservations and register for all the great Convention events. I hope you're looking forward to Memorial Day Weekend as much as we are!



Mary Ruwart

## 2004 CONVENTION BOASTS NOTABLE GUEST ROSTER

Guitar legend Jimmy Vaughan, among others to make appearances



Jimmy Vaughan

### Dr. Mary J. Ruwart

Mary J. Ruwart, Ph.D. is a woman who practically needs no introduction to most Libertarians.

The publication of her book *Healing Our World: The Other Piece of the Puzzle* in 1992 became a "secret weapon" for libertarians, especially in presenting our principles to the left. It was hailed by *Visions Magazine* as "what may be the most important book of the decade." Ron Paul wrote that *Healing* "applies win-win strategies to the political realm, bridging the gap between conservatives and liberals, Christians and New Agers, special interests and the common good with practical solutions to our economic, environmental, and societal woes."

The Foreword to *Healing* was written by no less than Frances Kendall and Leon Louw, Nobel Peace Prize nominees in 1989, 1991 and 1992. Dr. Ruwart's book was revised and released in 2003 under the title *Healing Our World in an Age of Aggression*, also forwarded by Kendall and Louw.

Dr. Ruwart publishes a web column on the Advocates for Self-Government site on "Short Answers to the Tough Questions" providing attention-catching sound bites for Libertarian candidates and others. She has spoken on that subject many times and also has "Short Answers" audio tapes available.

She is a former pharmaceutical research scientist and Assistant Professor of Surgery, and also has available *The FDA's War on Your Health: How Government Regulations Kill - An Insider's Perspective*. It draws on her 25 years in health care and her sister Martie's assisted suicide to document the needless suffering caused by the FDA.

Her scientific, political, and

community activities - she has also worked extensively with the disadvantaged in low-income housing - have been profiled in several prestigious biographical works, including *American Men and Women of Sciences*, *World's Who's Who of Women*, *International Leaders in Achievement*, and *Community Leaders of America*.

Possibly more than any other speaker at this Convention, Dr. Mary Ruwart - through her extensive work, research and activism - preeminently represents the theme of our 2004 LP Convention, "LIBERTY Works!" It is for these reasons that she has been invited to be our Keynote Speaker. (please visit [ruwart.com](http://ruwart.com) and [self-gov.org](http://self-gov.org))

### Jimmie Vaughan

Guitar legend Jimmie Vaughan quietly came onto the LP radar when the Texas party noticed his name on the mailing list. Respecting his privacy no attempts were made to contact him, but he started showing up at some local events in Austin. Most people don't recognize him and he just introduces himself as "Jimmie."

This longtime "avatar of retro cool" has graciously and generously offered to donate his time and share his talents at a special Concert at our National Convention.

Sidelined by a football injury at the age of 13, a family friend gave Vaughan a guitar to occupy him during his recuperation. Turns out, he was a natural. He also began tutoring his younger brother Stevie, who would cite Jimmie as his biggest influence on his own career. At 15, Jimmie started his first band and was soon playing the Dallas nightclub scene. By 16, he joined The Chessman, eventually opening for Jimi Hendrix in Dallas.

In 1969, Vaughan helped found Texas Storm, and eventually migrated to Austin, where they won over the college crowd and the Black and Chicano communities on the Capital City's East Side. He also helped jump-start Stevie's career when the younger Vaughan joined Texas Storm on bass.

He founded The Fabulous Thunderbirds with Kim Wilson in the mid 1970s. They became the house band when Antone's nightclub opened in 1975 and, shared the stage with such blues greats as Muddy Waters, Buddy Guy and B.B. King.

Vaughan recorded eight albums with The Fabulous Thunderbirds, including *Tuff Enuff* (certified platinum), with its hit title single.

The Thunderbirds brought the blues back into the pop charts, sparking a blues revival. Prior to leaving the group in 1990, Jimmie had teamed up with Stevie to record *Family Style*.

In August, 1990, just a few weeks prior to the album's release, Stevie Ray Vaughan died in a helicopter crash in Wisconsin. The tragedy devastated Jimmie, who retreated from touring and recording. Meanwhile, the success (and a Grammy win) of *Family Style* further enhanced Jimmie's reputation as a distinctive musical stylist.

Eventually, Vaughan's friend Eric Clapton invited him to open a series of 16 special concerts at London's Royal Albert Hall and after the warm reception, Jimmie ventured out on his solo career. As Clapton notes, "The first time I heard Jimmie Vaughan, I was impressed with the raw power of his sound. His style is unique, and if I've learned anything from him, it's to keep it simple."

His most recent Grammy is for his 2001 album *Do You Get The Blues?* "I wanted to make a romantic blues album," explains Vaughan. "I was listening to a lot of Sarah Vaughan and a lot of jazz. So I wanted to put my dirty blues guitar and the romantic feelings and the ins and outs of love together on one album....I just try to create what I feel."

Following another passion, he has also become one of the foremost designers of classic custom cars. "I don't play golf. So cars are my hobby; it's art you can drive to the store."

Yet for all his accomplishments and the admiration he has earned, Jimmie Vaughan remains modest when it comes to his life and work. "I'm just trying to have fun like everyone else. I've been playing since I was 13. I play every day. I've never stopped. I can't imagine that I could exist without it."

Checking out his website you find that (besides all the info about his personal and professional life) he has links to the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. ([jimmievaughan.com](http://jimmievaughan.com))

### James Bovard

James Bovard is the author of the newly released *Terrorism & Tyranny: Trampling Freedom, Justice, and Peace to Rid the World of Evil*, as well as six other books. (Read Bill Winter's great book review in the December *LP News*.) He is a frequent contributor to *Playboy*, *American Spectator*, and *Investor's Business Daily*, and has also written for the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, and many other publications.

The *Wall Street Journal* called Bovard "the roving inspector

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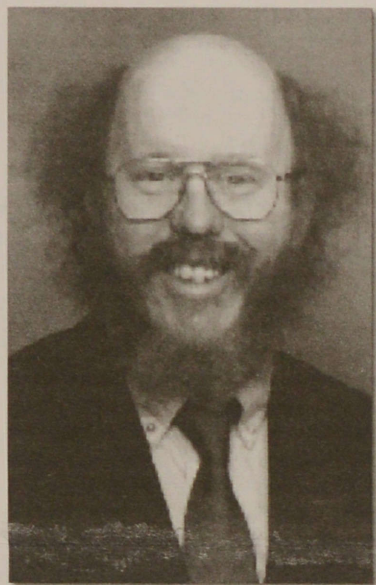
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general of the modern state" and *Washington Post* columnist George Will called him a "one-man truth squad." His 1994 book, *Lost Rights: The Destruction of American Liberty*, received the Free Press Association's Mencken Award as Book of the Year. He received the Thomas Szasz Award for Civil Liberties work, awarded by the Center for Independent Thought, and the Freedom Fund Award from the Firearms Civil Rights Defense Fund of the National Rifle Association.



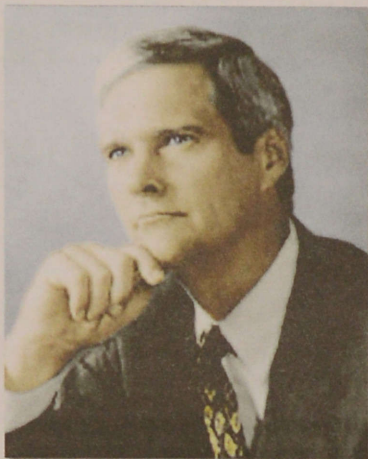
James Bovard

His writings have been publicly denounced by FBI director Louis Freeh, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, the Postmaster General, the Chiefs of the U.S. International Trade Commission, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as well as by many U.S. congressmen and senators. Bovard is proud to claim has never been indicted. Way to go, Jim!

## Judge James P. Gray

Judge Jim Gray has been a trial judge in Orange County for 19 years. After seeing firsthand the ill effects of the Drug War, he wrote the book *Why Our Drug Laws Have Failed and What We Can Do About It -- A Judicial Indictment of the War on Drugs* published in 2001. Gray says, "It was the culmination of my experience as a former federal prosecutor with the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, criminal defense attorney in the United States Navy JAG Corps, and trial judge in Orange County, California since 1983, experience which had long before had convinced me that our nation's program of drug prohibition was not simply a failure, but a hopeless failure."

In February of 2003 he "felt compelled to join the LP," and is now a Libertarian Candidate for



Judge James P. Gray

U.S. Senate in California (Boxer's seat) in 2004. He says, "Republicans talk about reducing the size of government, but it has increased at the same rate during Republican administrations as in Democratic...and the cost to the private sector in complying with government regulations consumes about nine percent of our gross domestic product."

He also feels that the so-called Patriot Act is "being used in ways totally unrelated to terrorism, but which infringe upon our civil liberties like nothing else in our history. It appears that the people in government behind these acts are working to destroy our civil liberties in order to save them."

This man is an eloquent speaker, has a very impressive resume, and in addition to being a family man, he also likes to sing and has recently composed a musical!

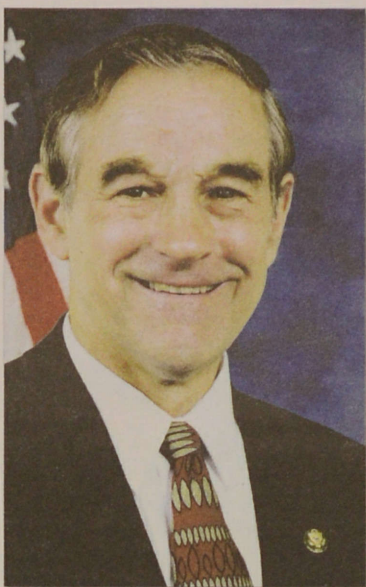
(see more at [judgejimgray.com](http://judgejimgray.com) and [judgejimgray4senate.com](http://judgejimgray4senate.com))

Ron Paul, M.D.  
(US Congressman, R-Tx)

Congressman Ron Paul (R-TX) enjoys a reputation as the premier advocate for liberty in politics. Dr. Paul is the leading spokesman in Washington for limited constitutional government, low taxes, free markets, and a return to sound monetary policies based on commodity-backed currency.

Ron Paul says: "Man's nature is unchanging, and so are the principles of liberty. And when I raise my hand to swear to Almighty God that I will preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution, I mean it with all my heart, as you would. That's why, before every vote I take, I ask if the legislation under consideration is constitutional. Of course, it virtually never is. That's why they call me, 'Dr. No.' I will not support any bill that violates the Constitution." He consistently adheres to his promise when he votes in Congress.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, he graduated from Gettysburg College and the Duke University School of Medicine, before serving as a flight surgeon in the U.S. Air Force during the 1960's. He and his family moved to Texas in 1968, where he began his medical practice in Brazoria County. As an Ob/Gyn, Dr. Paul has delivered



Congressman Ron Paul

more than 4,000 babies. (He is an unwavering pro-life advocate.)

Dr. Paul served in Congress from the late 1970's until he voluntarily left in 1984, returning to private life and his medical practice. He left the GOP and became a life member of the Libertarian Party; he ran for and won the LP presidential nomination for the 1988 election year.

He returned to Congress (again as a Republican) in 1997 in the 14th Congressional district of Texas, and plans to run for reelection in 2004 (despite efforts to "draft" him for president).

Dr. Paul is the author of several books, including *Challenge to Liberty*; *The Case for Gold*; and *A Republic, If You Can Keep It*. He has been a distinguished counselor to the Ludwig von Mises Institute, and is widely quoted in the fields of monetary policy, banking, and political economy. He has received many awards and honors from organizations such as the NTU, CAGW, the Council for a Competitive Economy, Young Americans for Freedom, and countless others.

He and his wife have five children and have sixteen grandchildren.

## Sheriff Richard Mack

Richard Mack worked his way up the ladder in the Provo Police Department, from parking cadet (while in college at BYU) to Detective.

In 1988, Mack moved to Arizona and was elected Sheriff of Graham County, and re-elected in 1992. He was named Elected Official of the Year by the Arizona-New Mexico Coalition of Counties in 1994, just one of many awards he has received. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

In 1994, he challenged the constitutionality of provisions in the "Brady Bill" that compelled states to administer federal programs. He was the first Sheriff in the country to file a lawsuit against the Bill, ultimately winning a landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in defense of the 10th

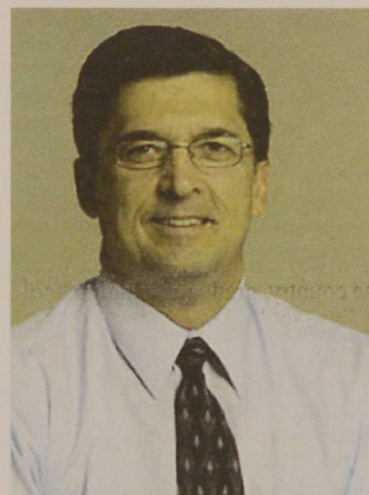
Amendment and State Sovereignty.

Mack has been a consultant on numerous cases regarding police abuse, brutality, and other misconduct by public officials. He has joined with other members of the law enforcement community to speak out in favor of drug policy reform.

Publications authored by Mack include *The Proper Role of Law Enforcement and Protect and Serve: Time for Sheriffs to Walk Tall*.

Books co-authored by Mack include, the best seller *From My Cold, Dead Fingers* now in its second printing, and *Government, God, and Freedom*. His new book, co-written with Randy Weaver, is *Vicky, Sam and America*, about the incident in Ruby Ridge, a tragedy Mack says was the result of big government.

"Sheriff" Mack is now back in Utah and running for Governor as a Libertarian. He says Utah's



Sheriff Richard Mack

government needs to take back its land from the federal government, which owns 73 percent of the state. He wants government to stay within its means, go back to the Constitution and for its officials to keep their oaths.

Always involved in his community, he says, "Charity must remain an individual choice or it's not charity, it's Big Brother ... and if you invite Big Brother in to deal with one issue, it'll be involved in all areas." Mack said he doesn't drink, smoke or do drugs, but he also won't support a government that forces other people not to.

## David Nolan

David Nolan was the moving force behind the formation of the Libertarian Party, co-founding the LP in 1971; he was the party's first National Chair.

Aside from his key role in founding the LP, Mr. Nolan is probably best known as the originator of the "Nolan Chart," a two-dimensional "map" (like the algebraic x/y-graph) that shows how different political systems relate to one another. This chart has largely replaced the old left-right linear political spectrum. Its impact on political thinking led to Mr. Nolan's being selected for

inclusion in "2000 Leading Intellectuals of the 20th Century," a reference work published by the International Biographical Centre (Cambridge, England).

A "Google" search for the phrase "Nolan Chart" turns up about 900 web pages containing a reference to the chart. Of course it is what many of us use as a recruitment tool, most notably in the form of "The World's Smallest Political Quiz" produced by the Advocates for Self-Government. This man has made his indelible mark on political ideology—in this country and around the world. Nolan has remained active in the LP all these many years. He has served at times as editor of *LP News*, chairman of the Platform Committee, chairman of the By-Laws Committee, and chairman of the Judicial Committee. He lives in southern California and is currently the Libertarian Party's candidate for U.S. Representative in California's 47th Congressional District.

In 1996, he received the Libertarian Party's first Thomas Jefferson Award, for "Lifetime Achievement" in advancing the cause of liberty.

He holds a degree in political science from the Massachusetts

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by Trevor M. Southerland

LIBERTARIAN COLLEGE STUDENT

I would like to encourage all College and "younger" Libertarians to attend the 2004 National Convention in Atlanta.

Myself, along with Nancy Neale, Jim Lark and others look forward to seeing you all there. We are currently in the process of organizing two separate events specifically designed for students. One will be an informal get together to exchange ideas and get to know one another. The second, more formal session, will be to help us develop our material for use in our colleges throughout the nation.

I hope you will come to Atlanta and show that the LP is the party of youth, and that we will continue to grow and prosper.

Please feel free to contact me; I always enjoy hearing from fellow college Libertarians and I so look forward to meeting you all in May.

In Liberty,  
Trevor M. Southerland

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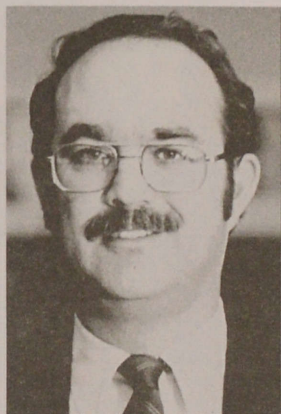


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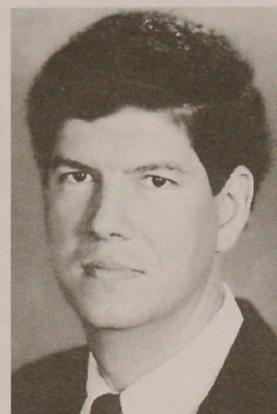
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Institute of Technology, and his career has included work in publishing, advertising and marketing.

**Vice-Admiral Michael C. Colley, USN (Ret.)**

Michael Colley graduated with distinction from the U. S. Naval Academy. He had sea duty assignments on several nuclear powered submarines and was Commanding Officer of the attack submarine NARWHAL. Other operational assignments included command of the submarine tender PROTEUS in Guam and the Navy's largest submarine squadron in Groton, Connecticut. During the Gulf War, he was commander of the Pacific Fleet submarine force of over 40 boats from his headquarters at Pearl Harbor. And the impressive list goes on and on. Later onshore he was Commander for Navy Recruiting helping to bring in some 270,000 high-quality recruits.

He was also Director, Division of Mathematics and Science (including the departments of math, physics, chemistry, oceanography and computer science) at the Naval Academy for three academic years. Since leaving the Navy, Colley has been active in the National Security Policy and Analysis field. (This is one smart guy!)

Having served 34 years in the Navy, he understands the need for a strong national defense, having seen that need firsthand. He says, however, that, "those forces should only be used to defend our society from external coercion and substantive threat. They should not be used to sally forth in an effort to change or influence the actions of other sovereign states unless our own national security is clearly at stake." With all his vast and worldwide experiences he is convinced that "government should be of limited scope. The Constitution is written in such a way as to define government very narrowly. We should simply allow the wisdom of the Founding Fathers to guide us – always."

He is now retired and lives in Alabama. (Many thanks to the LPAL for this info from their website. –NN)

**Neal Boortz**

Dubbed "The Mouth of the South" Neal Boortz is the self-proclaimed "High Priest of The Church of the Painful Truth." (Yes, he's a big mouth.) Boortz has been a talk show host in Atlanta, Georgia since 1969, the last ten years on News Talk 750 WSB, which is now syndicated nationwide with nearly four million listeners. *Talkers Magazine* called him one of the "25 Most Important Radio Talk Show Hosts in America" and he was named "News Talk Personality of the Year" in 2002 by Radio and Records Magazine.

His father was a Marine pilot in WWII and he grew up all over the country, graduating high school in Pensacola, FL. He is an Aggie and after leaving Texas A&M he settled in Atlanta. He later attended

law school there, graduating near the top of his class in 1973. He passed the bar before graduation, going immediately into private practice, continuing until signing the contract with WSB in 1992. Until that he never had less than two jobs at any time (in just about every field you can think of).

His first book, *The Terrible Truth About Liberals*, has been through six printings, and he's working on another, *Somebody Has To Say It*.

Boortz joined the LP in 1996 after becoming fed up with big-government Republicans. He is also a licensed pilot and actually flew himself to the Indianapolis Convention in 2002. We are pleased to have him back as a speaker at another National LP Convention. (for more info, visit Boortz.com)

**Ed Thompson**

Ed Thompson is currently State Chair of the Wisconsin LP. This former mayor of Tomah (about half way between Madison and Eau Claire) says that one of his proudest accomplishments as Mayor was in "opening up city government to the people" which included answering tough questions on a weekly television program. He helped reduce the city's debt by over \$4 million dollars (without resorting to an expected property tax increase) and engineered a settlement with the EPA of a drawn-out lawsuit, saving the city millions more.

He gained prominence in the LP during his extremely active and professional campaign for Wisconsin governor in 2002. After spending several months traveling

around the state on a "listening tour" Thompson made his official announcement on November 15, 2001. He and six of his campaign staff chartered a plane and flew around the state, starting that day on the steps of the capitol in Madison at 8:00am. From there they flew to Milwaukee, Green Bay, Wausau, Superior, and then Eau Claire. Thompson's announcement was the lead story for weeks in several newspapers and television programs around the state. During his gubernatorial campaign, Ed traveled all over the state and attended every possible event. A film crew from NBC's *Today Show* followed him around for three days in April 2002.

Governor of Wisconsin is an

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**2004 Convention Schedule Of Events**

• Be there Thursday, May 27, for the opening night "Welcome" Reception!! It will be on the "Skyline Level" (10th floor) which is open to the atrium!! There will be some food (possibly a dessert bar) and some great music!! This is the time to meet up with old friends and make new ones!! This is also the time when a LOT of internal campaigning and politicking goes on.

• Some pre-convention meetings will take place on the day(s) prior to the official start of Business on Friday!! These include Platform, Bylaws, Credentials and an LNC meeting, and possibly a meeting of State Chairs; these are TBD by the respective committees.

• There will be a professionally-run, intensive, all-day Campaign workshop on Thursday!! There is a separate charge and admission is limited; check the website for details and how to sign up.

	FRIDAY, MAY 28	SATURDAY, MAY 29	SUNDAY, MAY 30	MONDAY, MAY 31
7 AM	Breakfast with Speaker	Breakfast with Speaker	Breakfast with Speaker	
8	Breakfast with Speaker	Breakfast with Speaker	Breakfast with Speaker	
9	Welcome Addresses	Speakers	Business Sessions	Business Sessions
10	Business Sessions	Business Sessions	Workshop (1 track) "Libertarianism 101"	Business Sessions
11	Workshops (2 tracks)	Workshops (2 tracks)		
12			Lunch Break (TBD)	Lunch Break
1 PM	Lunch with Speaker	Lunch with Speaker	Lunch Break	
2	Speakers	Speakers		LNC Meeting
3	Business Sessions	Business Sessions	Business Sessions	
4	Workshops (2 tracks)	Workshops (2 tracks)	Workshop (1 track) "Libertarianism 101"	
5		Business Sessions Presidential Debate (end time TBD)		
6	Dinner Break (Torch Club Reception - invitation only)	Dinner Break (Liberty Pledge Reception - invitation only)	Pre-Banquet Reception	
7				
8				
9	Concert featuring Jimmy Vaughan + many other great musicians!	Possible off-site event hosted by Georgia LP	Grand Banquet Honoring LP Presidential Candidates + Many Others (dancing afterward)	
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**Note:**

Some times may be revised slightly as needed.



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office that had been held for 14 years by his brother, Tommy Thompson, now U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, one of the early confirmations in Bush's new Cabinet. (Clearly, the enlightened Ed does not share his brother's political philosophy.)

Ed enjoyed his academics in high school and excelled at extra curricular activities, including football and basketball. After a brief period at the University of Wisconsin, Ed enlisted in the U.S. Navy. For a time after that, he worked at the federal prison at Oxford, WI, seeing the inside of our criminal justice system first hand.

Ed grew up working after school and on weekends in his parents' store, learning the value of hard work. He later went into business for himself, purchasing a small grocery store. He continues to be a small business owner of a local supper club in Tomah. He and his "high school sweetheart" wife have four grown children and five grandchildren.

## Carl Milsted, Jr., PhD

Carl Milsted is just your average "touchy-feely" physicist. (Huh?) He calls himself a "Libertarian Theoretical Activist" and is known on *Liberty For All* as "The Incrementalist."

He received his B.S. from the University of Richmond (VA), graduation magna cum laude in Physics and Mathematics. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Dallas, specializing in Theoretical Nonlinear Optics.

He joined the LP about the time he graduated from high school, and got more active after finishing all that higher education. He returned to Virginia, getting very active in the late 1990's with the Northern Virginia LP.

Combining his educational background and his politics, he developed the "Enhanced-Precision Political Quiz," (his own version of the two-dimensional political chart), in order to better detect and recruit moderate libertarians. He wrote a software program for PC's to bring his "Quiz2D" to gun shows, fairs, campus and other such events. He later put it on the web.

Dr. Milsted was elected to the LNC as the Alternate for Region 5 at the 2000 Convention. He was subsequently selected to be on the LP's Strategic Planning Team, which met several times during late 2000 and early 2001.

In his "day job" he is a defense contractor, writing software in the fields of satellite tracking and signals intelligence mission planning.

He had begun writing a book on free-market environmentalism, but realizing he didn't have time

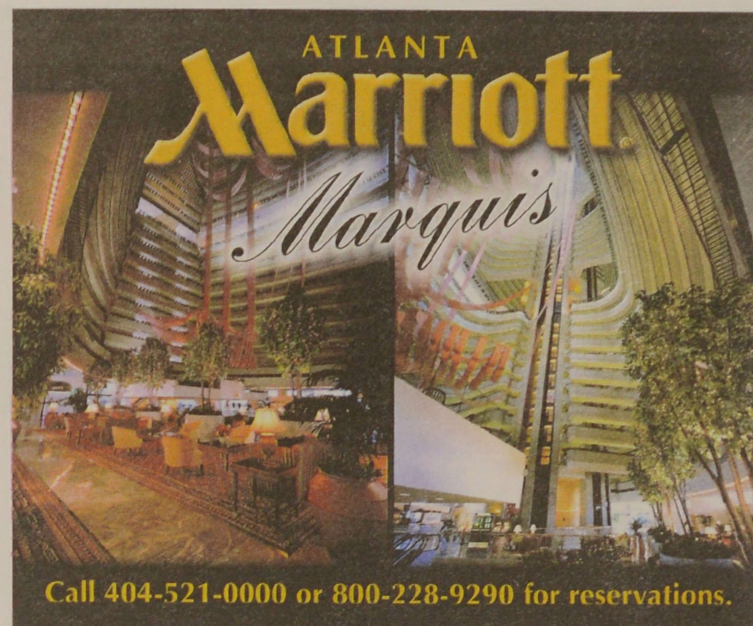
to finish it, switched to creating [holisticpolitics.org](http://holisticpolitics.org). The site is designed to recruit libertarians from the left, by showing egalitarian and pro-environment measures that are also steps in the libertarian direction. "I have taken these ideas to very left wing events and groups and gotten a good reception for them," says Milsted. (check out [quiz2d.com](http://quiz2d.com) and [holisticpolitics.org](http://holisticpolitics.org))

## Dr. James W. Lark

A Life Member of the LP since 1984, James Lark may be best known to Libertarians as the National Chairman for the 2000-2002 term. He served as an At-Large member of the LNC from 1998-2000 and was a member of the LP's Platform Committee in 1991 and 1998, and the Bylaws Committee in 2000. He has been active in many ballot access efforts. Continually striving to serve the party, he currently holds various state (LPVA) and local (in Charlottesville) positions.

Dr. Lark is also well-known as the campus organizing "guru" of the LP, traveling throughout the country on many campus organizing "tours"; he continues to do this, so expect to see him "at a campus near you!" He has also conducted workshops on the subject at countless LP seminars and conventions, both state and national.

He received a B.S. in



Mathematics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University ("Virginia Tech") and is a devoted Hokies fan. He received a Ph.D. in Systems Engineering from the University of Virginia (U.Va.), and currently serves as Assistant to the Athletics Director for Special Projects and adjunct professor in the Dept of Systems and Information Engineering at U.Va., and is also a director of the Financial Engineering Research Group there.

Dr. Lark has served as visiting scholar at the Center for the Study

of Public Choice at Virginia Tech.

He was an Earhart Foundation Visiting Fellow at the Center for Research in Government Policy and Business in the Graduate School of Management at the University of Rochester. He has also served as a visiting scholar at UC Berkeley and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He is the author of publications in mathematics, operations research, and artificial intelligence. (I also happen to know that the very sober Dr. Lark is a beer aficionado. -NN)

## LIBERTARIAN PARTY 2004 NATIONAL CONVENTION

## Early Bird REGISTRATION ORDER FORM

MAY 27-31, 2004

MARRIOTT MARQUIS • ATLANTA, GEORGIA

www.LP.org/conv/2004



Please use one form per person. If necessary, make a photocopy of this form.

## 1 FILL IN CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name:

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Name as you would like it to appear on badge:

## 2 PLEASE CHECK PACKAGE OF CHOICE

These are *Early Bird* prices, good through **March 31, 2004.**

- ☐ Gold Package \$329  
☐ Silver Package \$239  
☐ Bronze Package \$149  
☐ Speaker Package \$89  
☐ Basic Package \$49  
☐ Jimmie Vaughan Concert \$25

Order Total:

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## 3 PAYMENT OPTIONS

Check enclosed payable to "Libertarian Party" ☐  
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## 4 THREE EASY WAYS TO REGISTER!

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 Attn: National Convention  
 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, Suite 100  
 Washington DC 20037

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Fax plain paper copy of form to (202) 333-0072.  
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**QUESTIONS?** E-mail [convention@hq.LP.org](mailto:convention@hq.LP.org) or call 800-272-1776.

## ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

Call 404-521-0000 or 800-228-9290. Mention the "Libertarian Party Convention" to get the \$99 special room rate. Room availability guaranteed through May 5, 2004.

## CONVENTION PACKAGE OPTIONS

WITH *Early Bird* PRICES.

GOOD THRU MARCH 31, 2004

**GOLD (\$329)** This is the "all-inclusive" package that includes three (3) Breakfasts with top speakers, two (2) Lunches also with top speakers and the Sunday Night Banquet, with great speakers and entertainment and honoring our presidential nominee. It also includes the Thursday "Welcome" Reception, plus access to all events in the Mail Hall and all Workshops.

**SILVER (\$239)** This mid-priced package includes three (3) Breakfasts with top speakers plus the Sunday Night Banquet, with great speakers and entertainers and honoring our presidential nominee. It also includes the Thursday "Welcome" Reception, plus access to all events in the Mail Hall and all Workshops.

**BRONZE (\$149)** Start your mornings off right! This lower-priced package includes three (3) Breakfasts, which will feature some of our top speakers, access to the Main Hall and all Workshops, plus the Thursday "Welcome" Reception.

**SPEAKER (\$89)** This is the "economy" package, providing access to the Main Hall, also allows access to hear speakers/panels at all Workshops. It also includes the Thursday evening "Welcome" Reception.

**BASIC (\$49)** This is the "bare-bones" package for the truly committed delegate on a shoestring budget. It provides access to the Main Convention Hall, including many key speakers therein.

All Packages come with a Tote Bag, Name Badge and a complete Convention Program book, including the Convention Schedule, Business Agenda and current LP Platform and Bylaws.

"A la carte" meal events will be available for purchase at a later date once we determine exactly which speaker will be at which meal event.

**CONCERT (\$25)** The Friday night Concert featuring Jimmie Vaughan is a separately ticketed event, and will also include other fantastic (libertarian) musicians.