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Libertarian Renaissance Convention to feature Boddie, Brokaw, Givot, Jacob

By Denise Kline

Convention Committee Chair

The 1986 Libertarian Party of Michigan Convention will indeed be held at the Westin Hotel, in Detroit's Renaissance Center on May 30, 31 and June 1. The "Libertarian Renaissance" theme, like the Phoenix national convention theme, "Freedom Reborn," signals new growth and enthusiasm for the Libertarian Party.

The weekend-long program will emphasize communicating libertarian ideas through workshops and programs. Principles on various issues and platform statements tailored to Michigan will also be on the agenda, along with various forms of nominations and election of LPM leadership. Many parts of the convention program will enable newcomers as well as more experienced activists to participate.

A wide range of prices, from \$2 for a single event ticket (\$1.50 in groups of 10), through the complete package or a non-meal package will make the convention affordable to everyone. Student volunteers and others may also become involved for the experience of being there by prearrangement with Convention Coordinator, Denise Kline, reachable through LPM Headquarters. We look forward to seeing you at the "Renaissance."

The Libertarian Party of Michigan is pleased to feature Richard Boddie, president of The Motivators of California, law professor, Executive Director of Conflict Resolution Services, and better known to Libertarians as David Bergland's campaign aide, as the Saturday night banquet speaker.

Mr. Boddie will also be presenting a two-hour workshop on "Communicating Libertarianism" on Sunday afternoon, and there will be a Motivators seminar for businessmen, lawyers, salesmen, and anyone who wants to succeed, at the new Clarion Hotel in Lansing throughout the day of Thursday, May 29. The Libertarian Party of Michigan is a cosponsor of this event and will receive a percentage of the proceeds. (Look for details in the Convention brochure and insert enclosed in this newsletter, and plan to attend: "Dare to be . . . Free," Boddie's slogan.)

We will also be graced by a Friday evening reception presentation by Dottie Lou Brokaw, New York's beautiful and talented vice-chair and media person, who will also participate in a media workshop Sunday.

Steve Givot, Illinois Senatorial candidate who held a balance in the 1984 election, and current Libertarian National Committee Program Chairman will present the keynote address Saturday mid-day. Maximizing volunteer time for liberty, and information on the National Program, which is an interim action supplement to the platform, will be among Mr. Givot's subjects.

Articulate draft resister, Paul Jacob, will be featured at a Sunday Brunch Benefit for the Jacob Defense Fund. On probation until 1990, Paul Jacob's case is still on appeal. Mr. Jacob will also lead a foreign policy panel on Saturday afternoon.

Other speakers include: James Willis, Indiana Congressional candidate; Richard Chrysler, Part-Time Legislature Committee; Heartland Institute and other libertarian think-tank representatives; and many more.

Also on the agenda will be campaign strategy, and county chair and leadership sessions.

The Libertarian Party of Michigan Platform Committee, chaired by Gary Bradley, has prepared an extensive presentation. The Bylaws Committee is being chaired by Janet Parkes of Midland, to whom proposals should be sent prior to the convention.

David Stockman has not said "no" to our invitation to attend the Libertarian Party of Michigan Convention and may be added to the Saturday evening program if his schedule permits.

Newsletter Notes

Long-time Libertarian Bill Krebaum has signed on as Co-editor of the *Michigan Libertarian*. Mr. Krebaum, former LPM chairman, and former petition drive coordinator, will coordinate the technical aspects of the newsletter, with improved graphic capabilities.

Thanks go to Contributing Editor, Gary Bradley, for his tremendous assistance on an interim basis between insecticide promotion seasons. Assistance from Jim Greenshields, James Hudler, Jeff Grund, and all the writers and contributors of information has been appreciated.

New L.P. National Headquarters

The Libertarian Party's National Headquarters was moved in mid-March to a new location in Houston. Perry Willis, National Director, described the move as "an effort to get more bang for the buck..."

According to Willis, the office was moved to "...a nice and spacious house in Houston, closer to the inner city" than the old location. "This new location will maintain the dignity of our former offices while saving us approximately \$1,000 a month in rent."

The new address is: 301 W. 21st St., Houston, Texas 77008; telephone (713) 880-1776.

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From The Chair

By James L. Hudler

The executive committee of the L.P.M. during the last week of March made a mailing to you asking that you either give money and/or signatures for the ballot drive or that you tell us why you did not want to support it. Thus far, we have had approximately a 10% response. This was insufficient support to proceed with the petition drive.

The deadline is fast approaching and sufficient support is simply not there. I thank all of you who did give us both your financial and signature support. There is, however, still a chance for a 1986 ballot status...

The National Ballot Access Committee has offered their financial and legal help after the completion of their current fund raising effort. Messers Steve Fielder and Paul Kunberger, top

officials in the National Libertarian Party N.B.A.C. and prominent Washington, D.C. lawyers, have stated that they would handle the lawsuit required to extend our 1986 petition drive deadline from May 5 to early August.

L.C.C. MEETINGS IN BRIEF--

March 9: This meeting was rather contentious, since it involved major changes in the LPM's newsletter, the *Michigan Libertarian*. Specifically, it is now under the co-editorship of Denise Kline and Bill Krebaum. Other business included the LPM purchasing a Day Sponsorship on WKAR radio, and discussion of the possibilities of having David Stockman as a speaker at the 1986 LPM Convention at the Westin Hotel in Detroit.

April 13: The Part-Time Legislature Committee dominated the meeting. The LCC passed motions to both endorse their petition (with certain reservations) and to insert a copy of the petition in the newsletter. (See Denise Kline's article on the Part-Time Legislature proposal in this issue.)

The LCC prioritized its actions with regard to the ballot drive at this meeting. Specifically, we passed a motion to: 1) Urge the LPM membership to contact their respective county clerks, alerting them that Libertarians are going to run for office as Republicrats, since our ballot status is tenuous; 2) pursue the deadline extension lawsuit with all due speed; and 3) lobby against HR5089 in the Michigan Senate.

Final note: Come to the 1986 LPM Convention! THANK YOU.

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Ann Arbor libertarian activities

By James L. Hudler

On March 20, 1986 the Ann Arbor Libertarian League (a libertarian University of Michigan student and community organization) sponsored a talk by Chuck Kile, state coordinator of Michigan for NORML (National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws).

Mr. Kile spoke on the possibilities for marijuana law reform in the 1980's, with special emphasis on lobbying the state legislature. Kile and Michigan NORML are monitoring efforts to pass a state wire-tapping law.

Apparently, Democrat state representatives Dennis Hertel, Michael Griffin, and Virgil Smith, along with Attorney General Frank Kelly and Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair are pushing a bill to permit wire-taps and electronic surveillance of suspected drug traffickers.

The bill would also prohibit the possession of surveillance devices by persons other than government employees or agents. A companion bill supported by the same faction would permit the seizure and confiscation of automobiles used in transportation of persons possessing drugs.

Mr. Kile, believing that this legislation is inimical to a free society, thinks that it could lead to other statist legislation such as unconsented opening of mail and "Watergate style" surveillance of suspected pot-heads, dopers, gamblers, ticket scalpers, prostitutes, and distributors of porno films and publications.

Following Mr. Kile's speech, Rich Birkett, a local libertarian activist, gave a short talk on his plans for forming an Ann Arbor NORML chapter. Call Rich at (313) 453-8840 for information on NORML.

Lansing Report: Hess, Heartland, Happenings...

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-County Libertarian Alliance in Lansing was enlivened by the cameo appearance of Pat Peterson of the Heartland Institute of Chicago. Mr. Peterson advised the Lansing group on the policy study center's "Privatization of Public Functions" blueprint.

The group was impressed to learn that England has sold off many of its nationalized industries. Peterson also told of the involvement of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce in opposition to insurance regulations, specifically the Essential Insurance Act which forces individuals from lower risk areas to subsidize high risk areas. (Jon Addiss, former Tri-County Libertarian Alliance Chairman, represented Libertarians at the Chamber's annual Political Action Work Shop on April 4.)

The program continued with a tape of Karl Hess on "Tools for Libertarians," presented by Michael Miller. Mr. Miller alluded to the parallel title, *Tools for Conviviality* by iconoclastic author Ivan Illich, who also wrote *DeSchooling Society* and other titles that may be provocative to Libertarians, although Illich is, strictly speaking, more of a "deinstitutionalizationist."

Miller introduced Hess as both as a former SDSer (Students for a Democratic Society member) and the Goldwater speech writer who coined the phrase "Extremism in defense of liberty is no vice."

West Virginia LP Chairman Stephen Fielder convinced Hess that he is indeed a Libertarian, and Hess now edits the National LP News, in addition to welding for his neighbors. While Hess has schedule conflicts with the LPM Convention this year, he may be available for this coming Fall's Libertarian Week celebration.

Hess' tape was congenial and inspiring. He noted that doing real work accomplishes a lot for liberty by gaining respect from neighbors and associates to whom you can then talk about libertarian ideas. "We trade so well and war so poorly, it behooves us," concluded Hess, "to look for our strengths." He also quipped that "Ron Reagan is the only person I know who thinks the Soviet Union is a dangerously competent society."

Hess also addressed the important subject of education, voicing concern that it is "education to be part of the public." He distinguished between learning facts and developing the tools of inquiry. He mentioned the Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children, which may make children irretrievably thoughtful, and therefore more independent in their judgement. By saving a child, you save a substantial portion of their and your own future. He concluded by again emphasizing peaceful cooperation with neighbors and associates.

Guests at the meeting included members of the Advocates' "Discovery Group," being conducted by Jon Addiss. Peterson's talk and the Hess tape stimulated much interchange.

Discussion groups hosted by Dale Dobberstein are also taking form. One is likely to be a student political discussion group to be held at Michigan State University. Another will be more philosophical and is likely to meet on Sunday afternoons at riverside with a potluck picnic. Everyone is welcome!

The next Tri-County Libertarian Alliance meeting will be held on May 15 at David's Eagle Restaurant, at 300 S. Capitol Ave., in Lansing. Optional dinner is at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting will start at eight o'clock. Michael Miller will present a program on foreign policy, and Gwen and Duane Stillwell will be discussing the topic of letters-to-editors.

Several Lansing area Libertarians conducted the traditional tax protest at two post offices on April 15. They distributed several hundred flyers and were joined by someone new who decided to carry a sign after reading our message.

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What Michigan Libertarians are doing...

By Denise Kline

TV-- Longtime Libertarian **Charles Congdon**, a recent appointee to the Midland County Commission, appeared with Republican gubernatorial candidate Daniel Murphy on Michigan public television Channel 19 on March 19th for an hour of discussion on the topic of "Privatization of Government Services."

Congdon has made privatization an issue through many letters to the editors and appearances before the Midland City Council, which often lead to news articles in the local papers.

Sheryl Loux, Kalamazoo County L.P. chairman and President of K.A.L. Corporation continues to produce public access television tapes on libertarian topics or positions, which can placed on local public access stations throughout Michigan or elsewhere.

She has developed a program on taxation, which we urge individuals to place on their local public access stations in the coming ominous tax month. It's free and easy publicity, thanks to Ms. Loux's extensive preliminary work; so please contact her to get a tape or two onto stations in your area.

For as little as \$10 you can acquire a VHS tape for your station to copy and then pass it on to neighboring groups. Topics on privatization of fire protection, etc., are also available from Sheryl Loux at (616) 343-4737.

RADIO-- WKAR public radio will be sponsored for the day of April 13, 1987 by the Libertarian Party of Michigan and the Tri-County Libertarian Alliance of Lansing. Central Committee member **Michael Miller** initiated the project and will select quotations and write a short message on our behalf.

Reason spots on public policy issues are aired at 6:15 a.m. on WLNS Radio 1320 AM.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS-- **Richard Whitelock**, Ionia County L.P. chairman and 1984

City Club hosts ballot access lobbyist

Nancy Ross, Chief Lobbyist for federal ballot access bill HR2320, will speak at the City Club of Cleveland on Tuesday, April 29, which is broadcast on public radio stations in many areas. Ms. Ross also ran for vice president with the New Alliance Party in 1984.

She is active with Libertarian ballot access attorney, Richard Winger, and others who are seeking endorsements, other support, and public congressional hearings for the bill, sponsored by Michigan's Rep. John Conyers. It will still help to support reduced signature requirements by writing your congressional representative.

Libertarian activist, Bernie Baltic, who has facilitated City Club appearances for Paul Jacob and David Bergland may also be contacted about this program at (216) 226-3369.

candidate for 6th Congressional District, has been a spokesman for the Part-Time Legislature committee in a variety of places, several times per week.

The Chamber of Commerce again featured **Jon Addiss** at their political action workshop in early April. Addiss used David Bergland's booklet, *Libertarianism in One Lesson*, which he also uses in leading an "Advocates of Self-Government" discussion group at Lansing Community College.

The Chamber interviewed our candidates in 1984 and often chose not to endorse either "major" party candidate in races where we had strong candidates, such as Midland's Northwood Institute professor **George Leef**.

Kurt Weber, Kalamazoo student activist made a presentation on "Libertarian Views of Human Rights" early in April. Weber has also become a regular columnist in the student newspaper and is writing a 100-page senior thesis on privatization.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS-- **Lawrence Ludlow**, Macomb County Issues Chairman and prolific writer, is saving letters to the editors expressing libertarian viewpoints so that we can forward information on the L.P. Ludlow would like volunteers to help with this letter-writing project. Contact him at (313) 792-9388.

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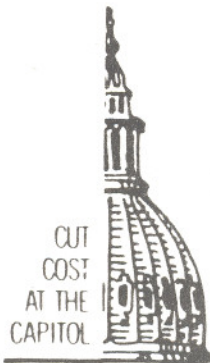
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Ballot Access House Bill 5089 rears ugly head in Senate

by Denise Kline

The proposed election law, House Bill 5089, which as "re-amended" calls for in excess of 30,000 signatures to obtain ballot status will soon be heard by the Senate Rules Committee and possibly before the Senate shortly. The new signature requirement compares unfavorably to the current figure, based on a percentage of the winning candidate's votes for Secretary of State, which amounts to 19,963 signatures this year. A 30,000 valid-signature requirement could mean collecting nearly 45,000 signatures to assure validity.

The Libertarian Party of Michigan has again mounted an all-out effort to defeat the signature increase. Members are encouraged to contact their Senators, as well as writing letters-to-editors and urging other organizations to oppose the Bill, which would severely limit participation in the political process.

Contacts to Rules Committee members, Senators Engler (chairman), Arthurholtz, Binsfield, Corbin, and Miller, would be particularly helpful in defeating the signature increase and bringing a favorable bill from the Committee to be voted on by the Senate and subsequently by a Conference Committee of both houses.

Other provisions in the election law are also effected by House Bill 5089. A provision calling for county-wide petitions, rather than the current township and city divisions required of third parties, but not of major party primary nominating petitions with much lower numbers nor for referendum petitions, is supported by the Libertarian Party of Michigan.

An amendment requiring clear, less ominous wording on the petition is also favored. A later filing deadline in August or September to comply with court cases and reduce the hardships of winter petitioning is also necessary.

The Libertarian Party of Michigan will also call for open petitioning from certification of election results through the deadline, alleviating the loss of signatures and extra coordination costs of having to complete the ballot drive in a six-month period.

In order to make up for damages suffered this year by third parties due to the legislative situation, we are also calling for a temporary requirement for 1986 of 1000 signatures by September 15. We would like to see Michigan adopt a total signature requirement of 1000, comparable to federal bill HR2320, 2000 signatures like our neighboring states of Wisconsin and Minnesota, or certainly not more than 10,000 signatures, preferably much less. The cost of ballot drives in terms of time, money, and spirit is a substantial obstacle to third party participation in the political process by taking the resources that we could better spend on developing and publicizing our positions.

A fact-sheet, updated as action is taken in the legislature, is available from LPM Headquarters in Lansing to anyone who will help in this important effort to maintain Libertarian and other minority rights to freedom of expression in the political process.

In other ballot access action, the Libertarian Party of Michigan is considering a lawsuit, pursuing options to run as Independent or even "Major Party" candidates, publicizing our cause in connection with other organizations and our lobbying efforts, and will continue to support Congressional bill HR2320, to reduce signature requirements for presidential and other federal elections.

Statists want IRS clone for Michigan

By Lawrence Ludlow

Michigan legislators apparently wish to feed more sumptuously and easily off of taxpayers. They now threaten to establish an IRS clone for Michigan. Buried in a deep pile of sheets comprising the new state tax plan in House Bill No. 4706. It creates a Revenue Division for the Treasury Department-- combining judge, jury, and executioner-- all in one bureaucratic ball of... wax.

The bill empowers a "commissioner of revenue" to 1) force citizens to give self-incriminating testimony; 2) not only determine whether tax protests are "frivolous," but to penalize so-called "frivolous" protests by a \$25 fine or 25% of the disputed amount-- whichever is greater; 3) determine interest rates on payments and penalties according to quotes by banks selected by the Treasury; 4) suspend the right to know one's accuser; 5) extend the time period of property liens from 7 to 14 years; and 6) collect the tax, penalties, and interest without trial.

These six items, respectively, violate the following amendments to the U.S. Constitution: 1) 5th Amendment clause against self-incrimination; 2) 1st Amendment right to petition for redress of grievances; 3) 14th Amendment "equal protection" clause; 4) 6th Amendment right to be confronted by one's accuser; 5) 6th Amendment right to a speedy trial; and 6) 5th Amendment "due process" clause (the clause forbidding seizure of private property for public use) and the 13th Amendment prohibition against slavery or involuntary servitude.

When you combine the facts that the maximum penalty is automatically prescribed for simply trying to keep one's hard-earned wages, and that car theft, murder, rape, and robbery are frequently "hand-slapping" offenses, it is clear that the state is not carrying out its only legitimate function-- protecting property rights, whether in our persons or in our possessions.

Could it be that in their quest for privately-earned wealth (the only honestly produced wealth known), state officials realize the hypocrisy of punishing street thugs for behavior which so closely parallels their own? Or is it only a matter of unconsciously sympathizing with their unregulated counterparts in the streets? Do our legislators keep defaced copies of the Bill of Rights in their offices-- stamped "VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW"?

■ Lawrence Ludlow is Issues Chairman of the Macomb County L.P. This article was published in the Macomb Daily, and in Crain's Detroit Business.

Detroit-Area Libertarians to meet May 22

Due to popular demand, Libertarians from metropolitan Detroit and newly interested individuals from the metropolitan area will have met jointly on Thursday, April 24, at Denny's Restaurant on Northwestern Highway and 10 Mile Rd. in Southfield. Another meeting, and potentially county caucuses for nomination of any local candidates, will be held on May 22, 1986 at the same location.

Get together over dinner at 6:30 or come in for the meeting program from 7:30 on. There is no charge for the meeting itself, so bring your friends to meet Detroit area Libertarians as well as some outstate guests.

Discussion of upcoming activities: discussion groups, convention, county caucuses, letters-to-editor campaign, student meetings, and other events, will occupy part of the meeting program. Convention specialist, Eileen McGuire, may be on hand to promote the Libertarian Renaissance Convention being planned at the Detroit Westin, May 30 to June 1.

This is an excellent opportunity for metro area Libertarians to get involved. Many volunteer positions related to the convention are still available. You can contact Headquarters for more information regarding nominations or meetings.

Michigan's current National Committee representative (and former alternate representative from Missouri), Chad Colopy, and wife Karen are acting as interim contact persons for the combined meeting in Detroit. They may be reached at (313) 363-5508.

Part-Time Legislature proposal receives qualified LPM endorsement

By Charles Congdon and Denise Kline

The Libertarian Central Committee at its April 13 meeting endorsed the Part-Time Legislature proposal with specific reservations. Paid advertising and other cooperation was approved. Part-Time Legislature Media Coordinator, Brian Johnson, was in attendance to make a presentation, and ably responded to Libertarian questioning.

Charles Congdon presented reservations to the proposal which the LCC agreed were well-taken, although the motion to endorse indicates support of the Part-Time Legislature as a step in the right direction. Reservations include: (1) Concern for employer's rights violated by the requirement that legislators be given time off akin to military leave, (2) Ability of legislature to increase its salary with a 2/3 vote, and (3) Session requirement may be longer than legislators actually remain in session currently.

Johnson stressed benefits as a savings of \$7-10 million in salaries and benefits, accountability to

communities in which legislators would spend more time under the proposal, and necessity to organize agenda around concrete business rather than jockeying for political advantage, as encouraged by the longer session.

When asked about Part-Time Legislature as a gubernatorial campaign gimmick of Richard Chrysler, we've been told that achieving a Part-Time Legislature is more important to Chrysler than being governor.

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We're confusing power and rights

By Charles Congdon

In recent years, I have noticed a rather disturbing habit creeping into political discourse. It seems to be common practice not to make the proper distinction between the words POWER and RIGHTS.

On the face, this may seem to be a trivial matter. However, it is my contention that failure to understand the essential difference between POWER and RIGHTS may be, in part, the basis for much of which ails our society at the hand of government.

Thomas Jefferson had a very profound understanding of what RIGHTS are and what they are not. He wrote in the Declaration of Independence: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable RIGHTS..."

Apparently, at that time, no one noticed that women have the same RIGHTS; nevertheless, it was a major breakthrough for civilized society to recognize that RIGHTS are inalienable. That is, individuals cannot be separated from their RIGHTS. They are innate. While RIGHTS can be waived or forfeited, they can never be taken away. Even if your rights are violated, you still have them.

It follows then, that because only individuals have RIGHTS, and that true RIGHTS do not conflict, RIGHTS cannot be created even by majority rule or government fiat, sanction or decree. Hence, government has no RIGHTS, only POWER, granted by the consent of the governed.

The proper distinction between POWER and RIGHTS becomes crystal-clear as one reads through the U.S. Constitution. Where, in that great contract, the founding fathers specify what authority the government will be allowed to have, the word POWER was carefully selected! Where they wanted to

acknowledge certain inalienable RIGHTS retained by sovereign individuals, the word RIGHTS was intentionally chosen.

So, the ever-popular phrase "states' RIGHTS" is, in my opinion, a misnomer because the 10th Amendment, from whence this phrase is derived, reserves POWERS to the states, not RIGHTS. States have no RIGHTS. They never did, they never will. Only individuals have RIGHTS.

Moreover, consider the consequences of the opposite premise: that if RIGHTS can be manufactured by majority (mob) rule, and transformed into government "law," then we leave ourselves with the hapless conclusion: MIGHT MAKES RIGHT. History is, of course, littered with examples of why this is not a good public policy.

If we accept the premise that the proper function of government is to fabricate "RIGHTS"... there would be no end to the injustice, plunder and/or chaos that would ensue. Which ironically, is the exact opposite of our expressed intent of establishing a government in the first place.

The success of any society depends on its ability to restrain political POWER, not individual RIGHTS. Just order emanates only from freedom, not government regulation. And in America... freedom was the original idea.

Charles Congdon has been very active in promoting libertarian viewpoints in his home area of Midland, and indeed, throughout the state. Some of his recent letters to the editor have appeared in the Detroit Free Press, and in the Midland Daily News. Articles about his pro-freedom activities, and editorial guest viewpoints by him have been published in the Midland Daily News.

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