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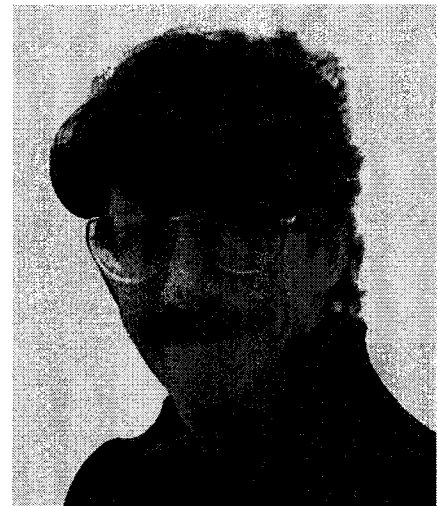
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SCHOEN REFORMS BOARD OF EDUCATION NEWSLETTERS

NJLP member **Howard**

Schoen challenged a December 1995 newsletter published by his local Edison Township (Middlesex County) Board of Education last September, on the grounds that it promoted support for a six million dollar bond referendum, using funds taken from all local taxpayers, including those opposed to the bond issue (See *Libertarian Blows Whistle on School Board*, NJL, October 1996).

Schoen also cited a phone bank script and draft letters to the editor, also prepared at taxpayer expense but not used, as promotional in nature and therefore an abuse of the board's authority.



Howard Schoen

SUCCESS '97

Learn the secrets of political success! At a two-day workshop for Libertarian candidates and activists, sponsored by the national Libertarian Party.

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STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

Win \$\$\$ while putting pushy public servants in their place.

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BYLAWS AMENDMENT

New rules for State Board representatives will be voted on at the NJLP picnic. Be sure your voice is heard.

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A representative of Citizens for a Sound Economy discusses the new EPA regulations.

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That referendum was defeated anyway, and the newsletter Schoen challenged was found blameless by state Education Commissioner Leo Klagholz on April 11 of this year.

However, Klagholz told the Edison school board that they should establish guidelines to prevent the kind of abuse Schoen alleged. He said they should "exercise due diligence in establishing the parameters of informational material to be prepared at board expense, whether by staff or specially contracted consultants."

This advice will be heeded, according to School Board member David Dickinson, who now says that "caution is always appropriate when you are dealing with a budget and referendum".

Meanwhile, a new bond issue and referendum are planned, and the newsletter the Board of Education published and distributed to inform citizens about it is free of promotional content, according to both the Board and Howard Schoen.

Board member Joseph Both said "This one was for informational purposes. There was no place where it said you have to or should (vote in favor)." Schoen was quoted in the local paper as saying that "It seemed like they were just describing the budget without a lot of puffery."

That local paper, *The Metuchen-Edison Review*, covered this story at length, mentioning Schoen's party affiliation, in the April 18 issue.

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CRACKS IN THE FACADE

A story in a recent issue of *Civil Engineering News* made a point that, while insignificant by itself, may indicate a larger movement of public opinion in a libertarian direction.

The story, entitled *Why you shouldn't "comply with all laws"*, notes that contracts for the services of civil engineers routinely stipulate that the designs and plans prepared by these engineers shall "comply with all laws, regulations, ordinances, and statutes of any government authority which are applicable to this agreement or the consultant's performance."

The story, written by an attorney who often represents engineers, goes on to declare that "This standard can be frustratingly elusive in practice" because of "confusing, arcane, contradictory, changing requirements imposed by building codes, government regulations, and state and federal statutes".

He ends the piece with this: "...compliance with all laws is not a guarantee, but a goal".

One of the ways to gauge the Empire's durability is to watch the responses of apolitical persons -such as engineers- to its actions. If engineers as a group tend to see this as a problem, then they as a group will be likely prospects for support of the LP's program of fewer laws, and reduced scope of laws.

Source:

Civil Engineering News, January 1997; Pg 33

FLAG SPOTTING DRIVE

NJLP candidate for State Senate in the Tenth Legislative District **Steve Nagle** is recruiting twenty volunteers to drive through an area for a few hours on the Fourth of July and note the addresses of homes and stores displaying the American flag.

The information will be used as a marketing aid by the Nagle Campaign. The Tenth District includes Belmar, Manasquan, Point Pleasant, Brick Township, Mantoloking, Lavallette, and Dover Township.

Potential volunteers should call Steve at 908 280 7936, or John Moura at 908 233 0433. Nagle can also be reached at snagle8561@aol.com

FORTUNE COOKIE

"The man who removes a mountain begins by carrying away small stones."

RULES FOR REBELS

In the April issue of *World Press Review*, a story from *The Independent* of London offered a series of guidelines for those attempting to peacefully displace corrupt, despotic governments.

Although the story used photos and examples from the opponents of the communist government of Serbia, the principles cited are as just as valid for opponents of the Republicrat government of the USA.

A few of the principles suggested, with the start of the elaboration for each:

1) Be Nice

The regime will call you terrorists and madmen. Give them no examples to make the charge stick.

2) Heroes

A figurehead can be a real asset, making the movement more than a group of faceless, anonymous people.

3) Have Fun

The most successful movements use entertainment to get and keep people smiling.

4) Take it Easy

Italy's Giulio Andreotti said "power tires only those who don't have it". Pace yourselves and avoid burnout.

5) Watch TV

Keep the media spotlight on you. TV news is vital, especially for rural audiences.

6) Come Together

Build a broad-based movement and avoid creating divisions you'll have to heal if and when you get power. Encourage the police, army, and members of the ruling party to join you.

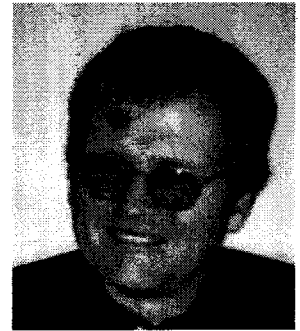
7) Be Gradual

Only ask for things the totalitarians have already signed up for, thinking the commitments can be ignored.

8) Think Ahead

Prepare for the day when your protest movement becomes a government.

JOHN PAFF COVERED AGAIN IN SOMERSET PROSECUTOR IMBROGLIO



John Paff

Libertarian Party of Somerset and Middlesex Counties (LPSMC) Vice Chair **John Paff** is leading the charge of many Somerset County residents for a "clean" new prosecutor to replace disgraced and convicted former prosecutor Nicholas Bissell.

Paff heads a non-partisan local group called **Citizens for Justice (CFJ)**, which is actively trying to influence the selection of the next prosecutor. Specifically, they are attempting to prevent the appointment of Republican political insider John Richardson of Somerville, whose past associations with Bissell and disgraced former Bridgewater Township Prosecutor Francis X. Hermes suggest ethical questions that Paff would rather not have to ask.

The efforts of CFJ were reported in a front page story in the May 8 issue of the *Somerset Messenger Gazette*. Paff and his Libertarian Party title were cited in the story, which reported rumors of Mr Richardson's imminent appointment by Governor Whitman.

In addition, the editorial in the same issue dealt with this sensitive subject by saying that, although

"Mr Richardson is an affable lawyer who has served the county Republican Party well.",
his past actions

"cast serious doubts on Mr Richardson's judgement. And though Mr Richardson may otherwise be fully qualified to be Somerset County Prosecutor, he...has to...be well above suspicion.

"The next prosecutor must be an independent person with minimal ties to what Citizens for Justice in Somerset County correctly calls 'the good ol' boys club.'"

PRESSER ENDORSED AGAIN, COVERED IN THE NEW YORK TIMES & PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

NJLP candidate for State Assembly in the Eighth Legislative District **Dr Janice Presser** of Moorestown is making a habit of getting endorsements. After making NJLP history by getting our first endorsement for legislature from a major newspaper in 1995 (from the *Courier-Post*, the largest newspaper in South Jersey), she picked up three endorsements last year in her bid for Congress; one from the *Burlington County Times*, and two from radio talk show hosts.

This year, the same two hosts, **Jim Gearhart** and **Dennis Malloy**, both of *New Jersey 101.5* radio, have endorsed her again, before the Republicrats even held their primary elections!

The two hosts are heard throughout New Jersey, and Gearhart has himself been the topic of a feature story in the *Star-Ledger*.

Presser, whose campaign is managed by her husband and Burlington LP Chair Barry Perlman, was covered in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* on March 30, in a story entitled *"Last of the big spenders? Candidate certainly is not"*. She was also covered in the *Sunday New York Times* on April 20.

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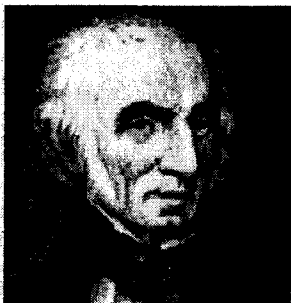
QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Ballroom dancing has been around in various forms since early civilization, and it has been a crucial factor in the development of mankind."

-Senator Howell Heflin

(D-Alabama), while presenting a resolution to the Senate to create National Ballroom Dance Week.

NAME THAT SAGE



William Wordsworth

Last month's quote,
"Political virtues are developed at the
expend of moral ones."

was taken from a letter to the Bishop of
Llandaff, written by the English poet
William Wordsworth (1770-1850).

"The true danger is when liberty is
nibbled away, for expedients, and by
parts."

Who said this?

The answer in the July *New Jersey Lib-
ertarian*

FINANCIAL TRENDS OF THE REPUBLICRATIC EMPIRE

Bill Clinton often tells people that his administration has now
"brought down the deficit" the US Government runs each year to
around one-hundred-billion dollars.

Many are impressed by this, because they confuse the *debt* and the
deficit. The debt is the amount the government has already borrowed
and spent, and for which we are liable. The deficit is the amount they
are borrowing and spending *this year*, which will be added to the debt.
Reducing the *deficit* simply slows the speed at which we are bankrupted
by the *debt*.

Mary Q. Public is so busy managing her own life that she doesn't
notice, let alone protest, the continued expansion of her share of the fed-
eral debt, currently at about \$21,000 per person for past Federal borrow-
ings alone. This year's additional borrowing of about \$100 billion will
add about four hundred dollars to each person's share.

This situation has few historical parallels, as described here by Paul
Kennedy:

*"Even if federal deficits could be reduced to a 'mere' \$100 billion
annually, the compounding of national debt and interest payments by
the early twenty-first century will still cause quite unprecedented totals
of money to be diverted in that direction. Historically, the only other
example which comes to mind of a Great Power so increasing its indebt-
edness in peacetime is France in the 1780's, where the fiscal crisis con-
tributed to the domestic political crisis."*

Source: *The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers*, Page 527, by Paul
Kennedy; Random House, New York; 1987

LIBERTY ROUND TABLE STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

The Liberty Round Table has announced its first essay contest for students. There are two first prizes; one of \$750 for the best essay from a college student, and one of \$500 for the best essay from a high school student. Runners-up to both winners will each receive second prizes of \$250. Third prizes and a prize for the most humorous entry will be added as additional sponsors are found.

The topic of the essay, which should not exceed 1500 words, shall be *Fighting involuntary servitude for students*. The deadline for electronic submission of essays will be July 4, 1997, and the names of the winners will be announced on September 1, 1997.

The essays should respond to the proposal of the President of the United States, who said "states should follow the lead of Maryland, the first state to require that every student perform some service as a condition of graduation", according to the Reuters News Service. The President has been joined in this opinion by Colin Powell, Nancy Reagan, George Bush, Jimmy Carter, and Gerald Ford.

The Liberty Round Table encourages young people to fight this trend toward nationwide involuntary servitude. The best entries will "expose the immorality of enslaving our young in a vain effort to prop up the state's failing welfare programs". Especially desired from the entries are practical "how-to" guides that instruct other students in how to 1)evade the requirement, 2)protest the requirement, and 3)cause embarrassment and regret to the perpetrators of the requirement.

For the complete rules and additional background information, send a self-addressed 5" by 9" envelope with a 78 cent stamp to:

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organization & volunteers; advertising & publicity; strategy; and Get Out The Vote (GOTV).

Carla Howell, State Chair of the Massachusetts LP, attended the first Success '97 conference and said: "Great idea! The topics were all very good and pertinent."

Who's invited? Every Libertarian — party officer or activist; candidate or potential candidate; or anyone interested in political success.

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I Nominate _____ for County Representative of _____ County. (Nominee must be a member of the NJLP who works or resides in the County of nomination).

My name is _____. I ☐ live ☐ work (check one) in this county and will cast my ballot for County Representative in this county. I am a current member of the NJLP.

Signature _____

Optional: ☐ I have nominated myself and would like assistance in contacting other members in my County. Please send information to: (address/phone #):

Return this form before July 16, 1996 to the NJLP Secretary: Emerson Ellett, 1308 Spruce Ave., Ocean, NJ 07712. Phone: 908-774-3684.

NJLP STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 20, 1997

Location: Home of Len Flynn, Marlboro Township

Present: Flynn, Quarles, Ellett, Stefanelli;
Imbriale, Peterson, Presser

Absent: None

Successful Motions:

1) \$245 in unapplied funds shall be deposited in the general fund.

2) An insert soliciting membership upgrades and donations for the General Fund and Sabrin for Governor Campaign, together with a reply envelope, shall be inserted into the April/May issue of the *New Jersey Libertarian*.

3) Steering Committee directs the By-Laws Committee to consider a by-laws change granting authority to approve candidates at any general meeting.

Other Actions:

1) Mark Peterson shall manage the database.

2) Keith Quarles shall gather reports from county and local organizations.

3) Janice Presser shall manage candidate support.

For a copy of the minutes of this meeting as prepared by Secretary Emerson Ellett, NJLP members may send a SASE to the Editor, whose address appears on Page 9.

NJLP GENERAL MEETING at 3pm, at the
NJLP Annual Picnic on Saturday, July 12, at
the home of Len & Ginny Flynn; 254 Tennent
Rd, Morganville, NJ (908) 591-1328.

Picnic starts around noon.

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TEN POINT CHECKLIST FOR STATE LIBERTARIAN PARTIES

This checklist was brought back from the March LP leadership conference in Washington by NJLP Chair LenFlynn. Read it and compare the NJLP to it. Wherever we come up short, in your opinion, is where your help is most needed.

A successful state Libertarian Party...

- 1) Maintains an accurate, up-to-date database of members and prospects,
- 2) Promptly sends a professional information package to prospects, and renewal notices to members,
- 3) Is constantly prospecting for new members,
- 4) Publishes a decent newsletter regularly, publicizing activities and successes,
- 5) Has a bank account and is constantly raising money,
- 6) Offers candidates for public office,
- 7) Sponsors and publicizes regular public meetings which are interesting and productive,
- 8) Holds regular meetings of party leaders to plan strategy and projects,
- 9) Has an organized media outreach plan, including press releases and conferences
- 10) Has leaders dedicated to growth and professionalism, who have vision and avoid factional divisions.

BYLAWS AMENDMENT PROPOSED

At the Steering Committee Meeting of May 18, the following changes in the bylaws were endorsed, and will be voted on at the July 12 General Meeting: A new paragraph "g" will be added to Article 5, Part D, State Board section 4: G.

"Representatives are expected to serve their counties by attending State Board meetings regularly. A Representative may designate in writing an alternate for a meeting which the Representative cannot attend, and the designee shall count toward the quorum and be allowed to vote. Failure to attend two (2) Board meetings by a Representative or Alternate during a term shall result in the Representative's seat being declared vacant. Vacancy takes effect upon the call of the roll at the beginning of the second missed State Board meeting."

This phrase will be added at the end of Article 5, Part D, State Board Section 4, Paragraph A:

"or serve as an alternate."

OPINION

EDITORIAL: HALFWAY MEASURES AND COM- PROMISES

The NJLP Convention in March narrowly defeated a resolution praising the former Lincoln Park (Morris County) School Board for attempting to create a voucher system. The arguments in favor included the idea that, while vouchers do not free homeowners from paying for others' education, they at least free parents who can't afford both property taxes and private school tuition to choose their child's school, thus making them partially free, or freer than they are now.

The arguments against this resolution pointed out that, under a voucher system, public officials would still be in control of the money, thus bringing the corrupting influence of politics into private schools, which are currently oases of freedom from such influences. This is a compelling argument, as we have seen politicians at all levels take our money and then promise to return some of it if we jump through certain hoops and behave in certain ways.

It's not hard to imagine elected board of education members snooping through every private and parochial school in their district, digging up dirt on teachers or tracking down some unpopular tenets of the religions taught in those schools, in an effort to deny voucher money to some and establish public control over others. "Saint Mohammed of Israel School shouldn't get any voucher money until their teachers join the NJEA, assuring our community's children of quality instruction" is just one of the many outrageous demands we would have to contend with, in a voucher system.

However, we Libertarians need to decide when compromises or halfway measures are acceptable, as we are clearly not living among people who will countenance a restoration of the Constitution or Bill of Rights anytime soon. Is compromise never acceptable?

Should we not accept tax credits (an idea of NJLP Chair Len Flynn's), but only tax cuts? Should we endorse a reduction in the number of situations in which assets can be forfeited without trial, or should we denounce someone who proposes this as a backslider for not insisting on the complete abolition of asset forfeiture? Should we eagerly accept slight tax cuts, or demand the whole loaf of economic freedom? Should we endorse an easing of the penalties for smoking marijuana, or reject that as an inadequate substitute for legalizing all drugs? Should we refuse to accept a restoration of the Fourth Amendment until the rest of the Bill of Rights is also respected?

What we need is a guiding principle for deciding when - if ever - compromise is acceptable. What do you think? Should we have such a guideline? If so, what should it be?

-EW

MY ENCOUNTERS WITH THE EMPIRE

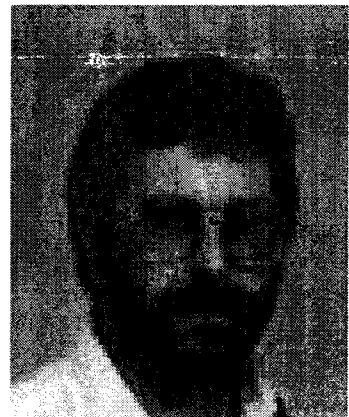
My name is Bob Mondgock, and I'd like to tell you why I'm the Libertarian candidate for State Senate in New Jersey's 30th Legislative District.

It all started in 1985, when I wanted to create a pond on my property. I received permission to dig this pond from the Army Corps of Engineers, the Burlington County Soil Conservation District, and the Township of Mansfield (Burlington County). I even received a manual from them which describes exactly what to do and how to do it, which they acknowledged giving me in later court proceedings.

Despite my efforts to do this responsibly, my family and I have been harassed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ever since. Although I have not been charged with any crime, they have kept me tied up in litigation which has now cost me over \$85,000. They've also told me I can't sell my home, and they've ordered me to donate \$12,180 to a "wetland mitigation bank". And yet, during this litigation, they've testified in court that I've caused no harm to the environment.

During this ordeal, I've tried to work with both Democratic and Republican politicians in an effort to resolve this situation, without success. They just aren't representing us. The system lacks a link between the common man and government. Somewhere, something is missing. We need to create a vehicle through which our voices may be heard.

I intend to propose legislation to address government's accountability. We must put our relationship with our 'public servants' into perspective. They and their departments need to be tested, by an outside agency unconnected with the Attorney General's Office. This outside agency should consist of volunteers who are taxpayers like ourselves, and they should be rotated in office.



Bob Mondgock



Bob Mondgock
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OPINION

NEW JERSEY GETS DUMPED ON BY REPUBLICANS -AGAIN!

Editor:

Representative Robert Franks (R-7th Dist.; NJ) has proposed a bill in Congress to keep New Jersey's "Flow Control" laws in place, despite a series of rulings from federal courts that overturned them on the grounds that they are an unconstitutional restriction of interstate commerce.

These "flow control" laws, which gave counties the power to dictate where everyone must dump their garbage (and how much they'll pay to do it!), were used in the 1980's to get customers for county monopoly incinerators and landfills. Now, we in New Jersey pay the highest disposal prices in the nation, and Representative Franks wants to see to it that it stays that way, for at least twenty more years.

When will the taxpayers be spared all of this burdensome government?

Frank Festa

Chair, Union County Conservative Party
Scotch Plains

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EPA TO THE RESCUE

Last November, the EPA proposed an arbitrary tightening of national air quality standards (see *EPA EXPANDS RULES*, January 1997 *NJL*). The proposal includes lowering the ground ozone emissions level from twelve parts per billion (ppb) to eight ppb. In addition, an entirely new topic of regulation would be particulate matter (pm), or flecks of solid material smaller than two-and-one-half microns across. These particles are so small that at least twenty-eight of them would fit on the width of a human hair. Sources of these microscopic particles include everything from power plants, farms, and fireplaces to lawn mowers, firecrackers, and cow manure.

However, the EPA's own Scientific Advisory Committee reported that there is no "adequately articulated scientific basis for making regulatory decisions concerning a particulate matter 'National Ambient Air Quality Standard'", and admitted that the rushed rule-making process "did not allow adequate time to analyze, integrate, interpret, and debate the available data on this very important issue."

Such regulatory overkill is especially worrisome in those counties classified as "non-attainment zones", which would have to impose even tougher auto inspection, maintenance, and commuting regulations than other counties. In New Jersey, these "non-attainment zones" include twelve counties:

Atlantic, Bergen, Camden, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, Passaic, Union, and Warren.

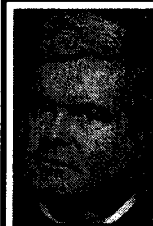
The impact wouldn't be just economic; lifestyles would have to be significantly altered, especially in urban areas. Arnold Rightsy, Environmental Law Professor at George Washington University, says that, unless urban areas are "willing to give up automobile use to a large extent, they will probably never meet the standard." Thus, on the flimsiest science, the EPA's proposed regulations would over-regulate most New Jerseyans, not just "big polluters".

Current enforcement of the 1990 Clean Air Act costs local government and business \$50 billion annually. The EPA estimates that tightening these standards would cost another \$11.6 billion, on top of an annual regulatory expense already costing \$667 billion. Who pays? The consumer -at the fuel pump, grocery store, and electric bill.

Christopher Price

Middlesex Borough

New Jersey Citizens for a Sound Economy



Newt Gingrich

Running on Newtral

What are we spending this year?

1.7 trillion dollars.

What do I want to spend next year?

6 trillion!

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