

# *The* **Jersey Libertarian**

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## **AIN'T NO STOPPING US NOW**

Presidential candidate Ed Clark's persuasive and eloquent address on campaign issues highlighted the eighth annual New Jersey Libertarian Party convention at the Holiday Inn in Jersey City. Despite various hotel problems, the well-attended convention, mounted at a cost of over \$3,500., offered a lively array of activities and appears to have shown a small profit.

The convention opened Friday night with an informal cocktail party, where members got a chance to meet with the event's speakers. Saturday's schedule began with the breakfast address by Virginia Flynn, who clearly outlined why New Jersey needs the Libertarian Party. The election of party officers followed, and for the first time in NJLP history, there were contested races for State Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Ray Blanco handily won 24 to 1 and Mike Perry was elected by a vote of 14 to 10, respectively.

A workshop on "Government Restraints on Minority Economic Opportunity" was the first of three chances to hear economist Walter Williams, who has gained national media attention for his views on minorities in the free market. Following a buffet luncheon where coffee and other liquid refreshments were notably absent, Karl Hess spoke of the need for Libertarians to regard liberty as an end in itself, without theoretical discussion of its consequences. Hess was later joined by Murray Bookchin, in what was intended as a workshop on "Living Liberty", since both men are involved in developing self-sufficient community projects. However, the session became a lecture on becoming an autonomous individual in the face of government manipulation. At the afternoon business session, candidates for Congress were nominated and topics for position papers approved and disapproved. Walter Williams' second workshop examined inflation and the insidious ways government sustains it. A Libertarian film festival brought the afternoon to a close, featuring a disturbing documentary on government disregard of atomic power's dangers, "Paul Jacobs and the Nuclear Gang." A power failure resulted in a half-hour delay in the screening schedule.

Delays were also caused by the slow service at the closing dinner banquet, where embarrassing head counts were the order of the night. Williams spoke on "What Government Can Do To Help The Cities" and his suggestion that Newark be turned into a Hong Kong-style free trade zone was especially well-received. Then, Ed Clark confidently addressed the issues of defense, inflation, militarism, welfare, education, and the draft. Clark said he will propose the largest tax cut ever presented by a presidential candidate, and put the defense (such as ABM's) back into defense spending, rather than pouring money into futile aggressive weapons. Clark received two standing ovations and over \$2,000. was raised for the 1980 campaign. The convention's busy agenda ended with a multi-media presentation by Loisaida Folklorica.

With coverage on the New Jersey Nightly News, Bergen Record and El Diario La Prensa as well as increased attendance, the Libertarian Party is on its way to becoming the third major political party in the state of New Jersey.

--- G. Kevin Lally

## The NEW Jersey Libertarian

The NJ Libertarian is now the Jersey Libertarian ! As you can see, we have made some changes which give new life to our news letter. We hope that you are pleased. The front page will feature position statements on New Jersey issues while the third page will carry news items as well as reprints. Also, CAMPAIGN '80 and IN THE COUNTIES will be regular features. The Newsletter Editor suggests that each county assign someone to make regular contributions to these columns.

Advertising will be needed to continue to expand as well as enrich the publication. Thus, we suggest that all Libertarian business men place an ad for our next issue. The rates are a bargain. Three full pages of advertising would allow the state treasury to breathe a little as well as present one dynamite newsletter. Our circulation will be growing and your investment will be easily recouped. Deadline for the next issue is April 5, 1980. So, Hurry.

Let us know if you like the new format and the changes. After all, it's *your* newsletter !

## GREAT CONVENTIONS

are produced by

GREAT PEOPLE !

# THANK YOU

*Ed & Alicia Clark*

*Bill George*

*Bob & Maria Shapiro*

*Paul & Charlene Furlong*

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From The Jersey Libertarian !

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## AREA EVENTS

March 29/30		NYS Convention, Albany
April 20	2PM	State Committee Meeting
Sundays	5PM	Channel 13: Free To Choose with Milton Friedman

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# A Message To The Membership

Dear Libertarian:

On March 1, 1980, I was elected to the position of State Chairperson. Due to the hectic pace of the convention, I was unable to personally greet each of you. Thus, I'd like to formally introduce myself and present my organizational program for the NJLP.

I was born in Cuba. My family migrated to Europe in 1959. In 1962, we reached New York. I have been active in political campaigns since Barry Goldwater ran for President. In high school, I published the underground film journal, "White Arrow Press". In 1973, I founded the Independent Film Critics. Two years later, I formed Bauer International Pictures, a film distribution firm. In the past, I was the chairman for Westside Youth For Buckley as well as Westside Young Americans For Freedom. Last year, I ran for a seat on the Plainfield Community Action Board and lost by three votes.

My first goal was to radically change the newsletter. Along with Dan Hurley and Norma Hoffman, we have instituted several changes with this issue. In order to continue to improve the publication, we need volunteers to type and do paste-up work once a month.

Secondly, I am currently looking for individuals willing to serve in the following capacities: College coordinator, membership drive chairperson, campaign manager for congressional and local candidates, fundraiser and petition drive coordinator. These are positions which need to be filled. Experienced and non-experienced volunteers should contact me immediately.

Finally, my other plans include:

- 1) Commence the local petition drives within the state.
- 2) Establish a General Elections fund to be used for statewide and local "active" campaigns on a matching fund basis.
- 3) An immediate membership drive to increase our membership to 500.
- 4) Review the membership renewal payment rate.
- 5) Establish a State budget.
- 6) Build new county organizations in every county and strengthen existing county organizations.

We must shed the image of being one of the dozen "weirdo" political parties. We must seek the best possible candidates and support them with a strong organization as well as financially. I shall run an efficient, effective and professional organization with emphasis on concrete political results. The new state committee must learn to cut the red tape and deliver vibrant leadership rather than stagnation. In 1981, we must be prepared to raise \$50,000. and win permanent ballot status with a strong gubernatorial candidate and a full statewide Assembly slate. We are a major political force --- let's act like one!

Every member of the NJLP must be ready to assist in order to be victorious. We're gonna show our strength to the Demopublicans in '80, get permanent ballot status in '81 and win in '82! I know I can count on each of you for support. Together, we can do it.

For Liberty,



Ray Blanco  
State Chairperson  
New Jersey Libertarian Party

HELP WANTED !!!  
 The Libertarian Parties  
 of  
 Pennsylvania  
 and  
 Massachusetts  
 urgently need  
 voluntary and paid petitioners.

Please Contact:

PA: Dave Walter (215) 672 - 3892

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# IT'S AGAINST THE LAW

*ALL TAXICABS must carry a broom and shovel in the District of Columbia.*

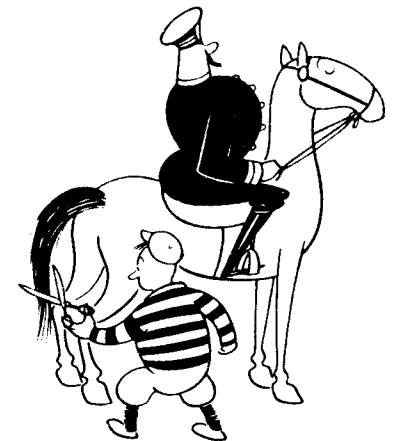
*IT IS ILLEGAL to hunt or shoot camels in Arizona.*

*IT IS UNLAWFUL for a man or a woman to go unshaven in Carrizozo, New Mexico.*

In New Jersey it's against the law to slurp your soup.

*NEW YORK CITY LAW says that it is a crime to have a deck of playing cards in an apartment located within a mile's radius of an armory.*

By Dick Hyman  
 Illustrations by Otto Soglow



It is forbidden to cut the tail of any horse in the District of Columbia.

## IN THE COUNTIES

..... BERGEN .....

County Chairperson Bob Shapiro took care of Ed and Alicia Clark during their visit to our convention. Our thanks to Bob and Maria for their generosity. Bob is currently heading the Bergen County petition drive for the Freeholder candidates.

.....SOMERSET .....

Although there is no official county organization, the Union County LP found two members willing to run for county Surrogate and Freeholder. They will need your help in meeting the petition requirements.

..... UNION .....

Chairperson Mike Perry and Screening Committee Chairperson Ray Blanco were elected to the State Committee at the Convention. Union county is fielding six LP candidates, the highest number in the state, in the upcoming elections. The Petition drive has already started. The new UCLP committee is Ken Edwards (Chair), Charles Hart (Vice), Arthur Carol (Secretary), Lois Grzenda (Treasurer) and Kevin Lally (Publicity).

..... MONMOUTH .....

Dan Hurley (Newsletter Editor) has been elected to the position of County Chairperson. Former Chair Ron Wishart shall continue to be active in the NJLP.

**MAJOR ANTI-DRAFT RALLIES**

Two major anti-draft rallies are scheduled as follows:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1) In Washington D.C. | 2) At Rutgers/Newark |
| MARCH 22              | MARCH 26             |
| Ellipse at 10 AM      | Wednesday at 1 PM    |

There will be a Friday (3/21) night organizational meeting at The National LP.  
Buses will leave from North Jersey to D.C. Cost is \$10.00 a person.  
After the D.C. rally, there will be a party at national headquarters.  
For more information: contact Ray Blanco (201) 757-5490 (D.C. Rally)  
Tyler Cowan (201) 666-8965 (N.J. Rally)

# CAMPAIGN 80

As of March 3, we have 12 Congressional candidates as well as 8 full county slates totaling 32 candidates. THIS IS NOT ENOUGH ! Below is the list of persons willing to run for office:

CONGRESS:

2nd CD: Ron Wishart	9th CD: Henry Koch
3rd CD: Tom Palven	10th CD: Ron Tenque
4th CD: Jack Moyers	11th CD: Dick Roth
5th CD: Carl Samson	12th CD: Hal Cundari
6th CD: Virginia Flynn	13th CD: Jack Schaefer
7th CD: Bob Shapiro	15th CD: Charles Hart

COUNTY OFFICES:

<b>Bergen County:</b> Freeholder: Thom Wright Freeholder: Eric Lofgren Freeholder: Steve Vanechanos	<b>Essex County:</b> County Clerk: Barry Siegel
<b>Union County:</b> Freeholder: Ken Edwards Freeholder: G. Kevin Lally Freeholder: Mike Perry Plainfield: Tony Mendel Council: Ray Blanco	<b>Hudson County:</b> Sheriff: Jonathan Stelle
<b>Burlington County:</b> Freeholder: Paul Furlong	<b>Somerset County:</b> Surrogate: Norma Hoffman Freeholder: Bill Pesyk
<b>Ocean County:</b> Freeholder: Len Flynn	<b>Monmouth County:</b> Freeholder: Chris Toto Freeholder: Dan Hurley
<b>Mercer County:</b> Full Slate/Names Unavailable	<b>Warren County:</b> Freeholder: Joe Williams
	<b>Middlesex County:</b> Sheriff: Patricia Brown

Here are the offices which we need libertarians to carry our banner (actively or inactively) Our petition deadline is approaching. If you are interested, contact your county chairperson or Ray Blanco at (201) 757-5490 TODAY !

CONGRESS:      1stCD          8thCD          14thCD (You do not have to live in the District)

COUNTY:          We have LP members in these counties.

Atlantic:	Freeholder	Surrogate	
Burlington:	Sheriff		
Camden:	County Clerk	Register of Deeds	
Gloucester:	Freeholder	Freeholder	
Hunterdon:	Freeholder	Sheriff	
Middlesex:	Freeholder	Freeholder	Freeholder
Monmouth:	Sheriff		
Morris:	Sheriff	Surrogate	THREE Freeholders
Ocean:	Freeholder	County Clerk	
Passaic:	Freeholder	Freeholder	Sheriff
Sussex:	Freeholder	Sheriff	
Warren:	Sheriff	Surrogate	

Other Counties: Cape May/Cumberland/Salem (7 candidates in total)

# Come to The Party of the 80's

You're invited to the New York Libertarian Convention, March 29-30, at the Sheraton-Airport Inn, 200 Wolf Road in Albany. Although there will be no national Libertarian Convention in 1980, we are offering a weekend of speakers and events to rival any past extravaganza — and at a fraction of the cost!

Recent Libertarian successes have demonstrated that we are indeed on the verge of a "three party system" and that our message is getting through to millions. The 1980 New York Libertarian Convention will celebrate and kick off the Presidential campaign in the Northeast.

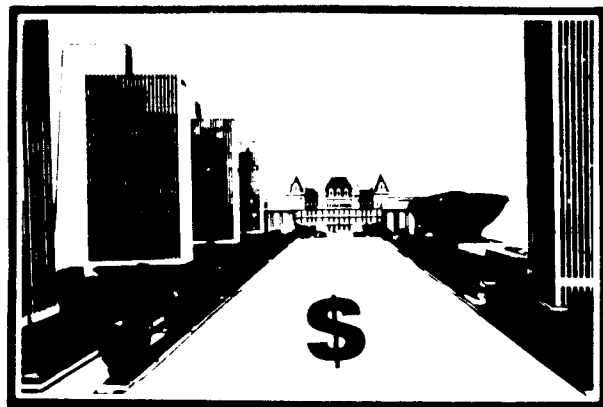
Last year's convention in Albany was New York's most successful ever; an event highly praised by all who attended. This year we are offering an even more impressive program including Ed Clark, Dr. Peter Breggin, Murray Rothbard and Dom Armantano.

Official business will be confined to Sunday afternoon; leaving all day Saturday and Sunday morning for films, speakers, discussion, mixing, eating, partying and other surprises.

We hope you can join us for this exciting event — a state convention on a national scale. For veterans as well as newcomers to the libertarian movement, there is nothing like the spirit of community, encouragement and renewal to be gained by meeting and partying with a large group of people who all share your belief in the ideal of human liberty.

## New York Libertarian Convention '80

**MARCH 29 - 30**  
**Sheraton-Airport Inn**  
**200 Wolf Road**  
**Albany, New York**



## Registration Form

**New York Libertarian Convention '80**  
**MARCH 29 - 30**  
**Sheraton-Airport Inn**  
**200 Wolf Road, Albany, New York**  
**(518) 458-1000**

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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### SATURDAY

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 5.00 Registration and Films
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 Saturday afternoon speakers
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 Banquet
- \_\_\_\_\_ or
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$40.00 ALL DAY SATURDAY  
(\$45.00 after March 25th)

### SUNDAY

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.50 Full course breakfast  
w/ speakers
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 Speakers only
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 WHOLE WEEKEND PACKAGE  
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- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL

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courtesy of NJLP

# Statement of Principles

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

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

Governments throughout history have regularly operated on the opposite principle, that the State has the right to dispose of the lives of individuals and the fruits of their labor. Even within the United States, all political parties other than our own grant to government the right to regulate the lives of individuals and seize the fruits of their labor without their consent.

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

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

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PARTY**

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## NJLP MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Send to: NJLP, Bonnie Swirsky, 7 Maxwell Lane, Englishtown, NJ 07726.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: ( ) Yes ( ) No

1) Check Membership Desired: ( ) Student \$5. ( ) Regular \$10. ( ) Household \$15.  
( ) Sustaining \$25 ( ) Lifetime \$100. ( ) Lifetime Sustaining \$250.

2) If this is a Household Membership, please indicate the names of all members:

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3) If you do not want your name to appear on a Libertarian Mailing List, Check here ( ).

4) Do you have any experience or interest in political or organizational work?

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOU MAY BE A  
LIBERTARIAN AT HEART  
WITHOUT EVEN BEING  
AWARE OF IT.**

Do you believe in an economic system based on open competition instead of big-business-controlled government agencies? Do you believe, for instance, that the CAB should be stopped from restricting competition and fixing airline prices for the benefit of the giant airlines?

Do you believe the government — through its meddling, corruption, catering to special interests, awarding of subsidies and bail-outs and special bank privileges — has shown itself to be totally incapable or unwilling to control the declining dollar, or in fact, to act benevolently for the working person?

Do you believe that voluntary agreements between companies or individuals are none of the government's business — provided that no force or fraud is involved nor intended against anyone else?

Do you believe the government should stop trying to impose its morality on the American people, that no crime has been committed if there is no victim? Do you believe it is wrong to use the time, budgets and resources of our police, courts and prisons to persecute people who may be harming no one but themselves?

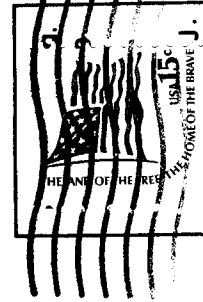
Do you believe government should leave the buying of seatbelts, motorcycle helmets or any other item designed for personal safety up to the individual?

Do you believe government spending and taxation should be cut?

If you answered "yes" to most of these questions, congratulations. You may be more of a Libertarian than you thought.

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