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HCLP Will Run 70 Cable Spots

The HCLP Executive Committee has purchased 70 airings of our commercial to run on three Time Warner cable channels just before the November election. The air time cost \$1,500 at political rates.

The ad itself is a 60 second commercial called "the battered-voter" that the county party purchased. The ad can be viewed online at www.libertytools.com. It is also included on the Great Libertarian Offer video that Harry Browne donors received. The last five seconds of our copy includes a screen and voice-over listing the national 1-800-Elect-Us phone number and HCLP's website. The website now includes a candidate list and links to candidates' websites as well.

The commercial will air twice between 6 and 8 a.m. on MSNBC and on VH1 on the five weekdays before election day. It will

also air twice a day on MSNBC and six times a day on the Sci Fi channel on the five days before the election. The ads can be seen all across the greater Houston area served by Time Warner including Brazosport, Conroe, Huntsville, The Woodlands, Katy, Spring, Sugar Land, Baytown, and down into Galveston County.

Rates quoted to the HCLP for ads on these stations during the morning and daytime are only \$25 each and \$75 during prime time. Ads on better rated stations such as CNN and ESPN are \$75 for mornings, \$200 for daytime and \$575 for prime time per insertion.

"We hope to be able to purchase more ads, maybe on some different cable stations or maybe on Fox broadcast. It really just depends on what our donations look like this month," said Past-Chair Laura Coker-Garcia

Election Outreach Team

are a candidate looking for help--if you think you could do something, but don't know what--or if you have a special skill you think we could use-- you should attend one of these meetings. If you don't want to do any organized outreach you can stop by to get pamphlets or quiz cards to give to your friends or a button to wear to work or a bumpersticker.

Also, included in this month's newsletter is a one-page flyer that you can use for outreach. Give the page to a friend—or run some copies and hand them out at work or in your neighborhood. Put them in the information racks at the library, leave them at the doctor's office, have your kids bring one to school for their social studies teacher!

We do realize that not everyone can get out to volunteer meetings. Not everyone can put out flyers. But if you have a phone and some spare time on the weekends or in the evenings and don't mind talking to other Libertarians we could use you in our Get Out the Vote project. If you can't make the meeting and can help in any way contact Laura at 281-997-8141 or liberty@neosoft.com.

Finally, we do need donations. The State Party will be spending \$15,000 on radio ads. We've bought \$1,500 of TV ads—for just \$25 you can sponsor another ad—for \$75 it will be in prime time. We don't have anything budgeted for newspaper—do you want to make a targeted donation for an ad in the Houston Press or a local paper? Do you want people at the polls handing-out our candidate info? We need donations for printing. Whatever you can afford we can put to good use supporting our candidates.

Sign Up: Election Outreach Team

On Thursday, September 12 and Thursday, October 10, members of the Libertarian Party will be meeting at Papa's Bar-B-Q to organize and coordinate volunteer outreach for the November General Elections. We'll be there 7 to 9 p.m. in the upstairs room.

If you are reading this you are a vital part of the Libertarian effort and we need your commitment to help this election season.

Unlike in years past there are now four political parties on the ballot and there are no two-way races for statewide office. Winning a federal or statewide race in Texas this November is very unlikely. Given our current

numbers most Senate and State Representative races are also out of reach. However, the party continues to grow—we're fielding more and better candidates--we're gaining more experience—and this November is a very important election.

If Jeff Daiell can get 2% of the vote for Governor—we will have ballot access for two election cycles—meaning we can devote time and money to winnable races in 2004. On the other hand, if one of our statewide candidates doesn't get 5% we're facing a costly, difficult petition drive.

If you have an idea for helping our candidates this year--or if you



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In the Mail

John Kormylo stated in the July issue of Gulf Coast Liberty that US foreign policy is responsible for the hatred that many foreigners feel toward us. This is true: our administrations and state department could hardly do worse.

Islamic fundamentalism is another matter. Islam, like Christianity, has many different factions. The Talibon and associated terrorist groups hate everyone who is not Muslim. This is xenophobia squared.

They hate America more for our power and our success. We are indeed a "shining city on a hill." Our foreign policy may well add to Muslim hatred of America, but the Muslim fanatics want us dead primarily because we are not Muslim. The Muslim extremists are racist, homophobic, sexist bigots with murder in their hearts. They hate Jews, Buddists, Shintos, Hindus, Christians, Atheists, and on and on. If any person is not Muslim or refuses to convert to Islam then murder and destruction is their only solution.

Reasoning with them is not possible anymore than you can reason with a belligerent drunk. They would rather destroy all of civilization than see non-Muslims survive.

The fact that they do not represent the mainstream of Islam is irrelevant. They are even willing to kill Muslims who do not follow their fanatical beliefs. It is insanity.

R. W. Campbell

This is an exhortation to webmasters everywhere to adopt an abuse.

What does that mean? It means adding a page to your website that at least briefly explains some abuse of someone's rights in the recent past by some government official or entity, an abuse that has been neglected and gone unredressed. The page should then link to other pages that discuss the abuse in more detail, and perhaps suggests remedies.

At the bottom of this page should be added at least six more links to other abuse pages on other sites, three of which involve similar issues, and three of which involve quite different issues.

We realize that your site may not be about reform or justice, or a site for activists, but we all have a stake in assisting reform efforts, even if your main purpose is entertainment.

The idea is to have such pages on so many sites that anyone browsing the WWW, no matter what his interests might be, cannot avoid running into pages on abuses, linked from one to another to another and thereby become aware of how many and how serious the abuses are. It is too easy to avoid thinking about these things, by withdrawing into a shell of one's own, oblivious of the evil that surrounds one, but all of us need to do our part to fight injustice.

If you aren't aware of an abuse, take a little time to explore the net for word of them. Start with one that is already covered, then work your way down to more neglected ones.

Spread this message widely, especially to webmasters.

Jon Roland

The Houston Property Rights Association, an activist group for property rights in Houston well known for fighting zoning, light rail, and tax-funded stadium projects among other issues, has meetings with interesting speakers every Friday in downtown Houston.

The group meets from noon to 1:30 p.m. for a \$12 buffet at the Courtyard Restaurant, 1885 St. James Place, south of San Felipe; close to Yorktown. Stop in to meet lots of Libertarian-friendly individuals—no reservations required. Come anytime, but they don't meet on holidays.

For more information contact Barry Klein at bjklein@swbell.net or 713-224-4144.



The Libertarian Party *The Party of Principle*

Libertarians favor dramatically shrinking the size and cost of government, and eliminating laws that stifle the economy and control people's personal choices. The Libertarian platform calls for vigorous defense of the Bill of Rights, free enterprise, civil liberties, free trade, no meddling overseas, and private charity.

"Libertarians truly want to get government off the people's backs. Others, notably Republicans, may claim it, but Libertarians genuinely believe and are dedicated to achieving their belief that the best government is less government,"—Jane Ely, *The Houston Chronicle*, 2000.

The Libertarian Party was founded in 1971 and has since grown to become, by most objective standards, the most successful third-party in America. The Libertarian National Committee, Inc., is headquartered in Washington, DC. State affiliates are **active in all 50 states**, and there are hundreds of state, county, college and local Libertarian groups.

The Libertarian Party ran more than 1430 candidates in the 2000 elections, more than twice as many as all other third parties combined. We fielded candidates for 255 of the 435

seats in the U.S House as well as 25 of the 33 Senate seats up for election -- the first time in eighty years that any third party has contested a majority of the seats in Congress. Our slate of U.S. House candidates received 1.7 million votes, the first time any third party has received over a million votes for U.S. House.

We are building a new political party from the grassroots up, and the vast majority of our candidates are running for local office. Currently, **over 300 Libertarians hold elective office**, more than twice as many as all other third parties combined. **Another 200 Libertarians hold appointed political offices.**

Current officeholders in Texas include St. Paul Mayor Pro Tem Mark Wilson, Lubbock County Public Weigher Noah Davis, and Hutchinson County Public Weigher Charlie Lambert. Many Libertarians also have been elected to neighborhood or community positions including locals Gil Guillory serving on the Grogan's Mill Village Association (The Woodlands) and Anthony Garcia serving on the

Sagemeadow Maintenance Committee (Houston.)

In the past, Libertarians have won election to the La Porte City Council, Deer Park Independent School District, and Harris County Board of Education. Others have served on everything from Draft Boards to school PTAs.

In the 2002 General Election November 5, more than 150 Libertarians will be seeking office in Texas. Houstonian Jeff Daiell leads the ticket for Governor. A complete candidate list of those on Harris County ballots is online at our website at www.lptexas/harris.

For a free packet with more information on the Libertarian Party please call 1-800-Elect-Us. You can also visit the National Party online at www.LP.org.

Local Libertarians also host frequent informational meetings and supper clubs. If you are interested in meeting us to learn more about the Party please contact us at 713-271-1776 or liberty@neosoft.com for information on an event near you.

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Recieve 12 issues of the monthly newspaper LP News, monthly issues of the Texas newsletter Lone Star Liberty and a membership card. **\$25**

The Libertarian Party is the party of principle. To affirm what we believe and to ensure that our party never strays from our principles we ask our members to sign this statement:

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To build a Bigger, Better Libertarian Party—Give!

Funds needed now for election advertising and outreach expenses! Please donate now.

Here is my best donation: _____\$25_____ \$50_____ \$75_____ \$100_____ Other

Occupation_____

Want updates on activities? Subscribe to our low-traffic email announce list:
email address: _____

Statewide LP Nominee Switches to Local Race

AUSTIN, TX (Aug. 24)—Thanks to some last minute moves by the State Executive Committee we have two new statewide candidates.

Dr. Betty Hernandez, an alternative medicine practitioner, replaces Marjory Staehl Glowka for Texas Land Commissioner. Jim Bowie Irrado, a school teacher, has replaced Steve Martin in the Comptroller spot.

Marjory made a down ballot move to become the new nominee in the District 51 Texas House race in Travis County. This change helps the local party retain a presence in a two-way race. Marjory has no Republican opponent.

The opening in this race occurred when former nominee Aaron Day accepted a position with the National Libertarian Party and moved to Washington D.C. making him ineligible for the position.

Rock Howard sent a press release on Marjory's ballot change and the move got a small mention in the Austin American Statesman under the

title "Libertarians reshuffle their ballot."

Houstonian Steve Martin also remains on the ballot in a different spot. He will be the candidate for U.S. Rep. District 32.

Daiell's Schedule

Suggestions for Additions
Welcome!

August 21 - Meeting with Dallas Morning News

Sept. 7-LPT booth, Feedback Magazine event. Sept. 10- Candidate Forum in San Saba. Sept. 14 - Burleson County Kolache Festival. Sept. 16 - Athens Chamber of Commerce Political Forum. Sept. 18 - Texas Liberty Club, Fort Bend County. Sept. 22 - Bexar County fundraiser. Sept. 25 - Society of Professional Journalists, Houston.

Oct. 1 - Polk County Escapes Club Forum. Oct. 5 - Brazos County LP meeting (date tentative). Oct. 12-13 - Bell County Gun Show

Contact Jeff at jeffdaiell@yahoo.com for information.

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Media Coverage

HCLP Chair Anthony Garcia was interviewed for a report by Shalini Tripathi on the Aug. 15 evening news broadcast on KPFT radio, 90.1 FM. The topic was volunteer anti-terrorist programs.

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Libertarian Activities September 2002

Sept. 8 (Sun.) 2 p.m. Harris County Meeting at 9614 Oregon Circle (off Corporate Drive.) Contact John Kormylo at elfsoft@mindspring or 713-271-1776.

Sept. 10 (Tues.) 7 p.m. Brazoria County Meeting at Golden Corral, Hwy 388 Business, Angleton. Contact George Harper at Gharper@computron.net or 979-964-3693.

Sept. 12 (Thurs.) 7 p.m. LP Volunteers Meeting at Papa's Bar-B-Q restaurant, 7007 Hwy 59 South, Houston between the Bellaire and Hillcroft exits. Meeting to coordinate election activity; stop by to get literature, etc. Contact Laura at liberty@neosoft or 281-997-8141 for information.

Sept. 14 (Sat.) Local Elections--cities, college districts, water boards, etc. Early voting until Sept. 10.

Sept. 17 (Tues.) Constitution Day. On this day in 1787 that the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia completed its work of drafting a constitution for ratification by the 13 states.

Sept. 17 (Tues.) 6:30 p.m. Jefferson County Meeting at the LogonC@fe, 3805 Calder Ave., in Beaumont. Contact John Gossage at che_prof@hotmail.com or 409-860-4499.

Sept. 18 (Wed.) 6 p.m. Meet the Candidate Night sponsored by Texas Liberty Club at La Madeline French Bakery & Cafe, 2675 Town Center Blvd (at Hwys 59 and 6) in Sugar Land. Governor Candidate Jeff Daiell and local candidates will be speaking at 7 p.m. For info. contact Tom Clark at Texaslibertyclub@aol.com or 713-572-5338.

Sept. 19 (Thurs.) 7 p.m. San Jacinto Supper Club at Golden Corral at 4021 Spencer Highway in Pasadena. Contact Bob Lockhart 713-475-0092.

Sept. 19 (Thurs.) 7 p.m. Montgomery County Meeting at the South County Community Center, 2235 Lake Robbins Drive, The Woodlands. Contact Ron Hard at ellyhard@email.msn.com or 281-363-9211.

Sept. 26 (Thur.) 7 p.m. Clear Lake Libertarian Caucus Supper Club at Fuddrucker's Restaurant on Nasa Rd 1. Contact Paul 281-280-8660 or Paul.Morris@directvinternet.com for information

Oct. 1 (Mon.) Meet the Candidates Night in Polk County.

Oct. 4-5 (Fri.-Sat.) LP Outreach at Texas Family Learning Conference at the Sheraton Brookhollow, 3000 North Loop West, Houston. Volunteers needed contact Laura at liberty@neosoft.com or 281-997-8141.

Oct. 6 (Sun.) 2 p.m. Harris County Meeting at 9614 Oregon Circle. See Sept. 8 for details.

Oct. 7 (Mon.) Last Day to Register to Vote in the November 2002 General Election.

Oct. 10 (Thurs.) 7 p.m. Volunteers Meeting at Papa's Bar-B-Q Restaurant, 7007 Hwy 59 South, Houston. Contact Laura at 281-997-8141 or liberty@neosoft.com for information.

Oct. 19-20 (Sat./Sun.) 12 to 7 p.m. LP Booth at Westheimer Arts Festival. Volunteers needed. Contact Guy Mclendon for information at gmclend@sbcglobal.net.

Nov. 5 (Tues.) General Election. US Senate, US Congress, statewide offices and local offices on the ballot.