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FROM THE CHAIR

By Tracy Ryan

We are gearing up for our election year. So far we have just a couple of announced candidates. They will be taking out papers shortly. We expect to hear announcements from one or two candidates for state house soon as well.

Larry Bartley and Roger Taylor will be helping us find candidates for the two US Congressional seats. These races are "long shots" to say the least, but we feel it is important to have LP candidates on the ballot that voters can see and choose if they wish to.

Our student intern as wrapped up his work with us for now. Good long term things may come out of this.
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**Membership
Application is on
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Please cut out the membership application form on page 3. If you are a current member see if you can find one new member this month! If you're not a current member please consider signing up as a full member or as a subscriber with a dues check or donation.

STATE CONVENTION SET FOR JUNE 4TH

The Libertarian Party of Hawaii will have its annual State Convention on Sunday June 4th at the Ala Moana Hotel. We have the same set up in the Carnation Room as in 2005. Details are being worked out on the various morning and afternoon events. Costs are not yet finalized, but we expect them to be similar to last year. We are excited to have Judge James Gray as our keynote speaker this year. More about him appears below.

James Gray is a California Superior Court judge. He has received much attention for his advocacy of finding alternative methods to address America's problems with drug addiction. His book's include "**Why Our Drug Laws Have Failed and What We Can Do About It.**" His involvement with the Libertarian Party has included a run for the US Senate in 2004. Judge Gray has visited Hawaii before and appeared on a 1997 Drug Policy Forum panel which got good press coverage. We hope to see the Judge's views given a lots of public discussion this trip as well.

Minutes from the February 19 Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Executive Committee 2-19-2006

Present: Tracy Ryan, John Spangler, Larry Bartley, Tim Lucey, Ozell Daniel, M Carling, Sean Marcus, Roger Taylor

Tim Lucey has agreed to assist in sprucing up our local web site. Roger was able to get Google to delete references to an older non-functional web site from their search engine.

Ozell Daniel's campaign for Governor is coming along. He is coordinating with Larry to go to the Lt. Governor's office downtown to take out papers.

M. Carling, of California, our representative to the national committee reported that the national convention will be in Portland, Oregon in the first week of July. Our local convention will be at the Ala Moana Hotel on June 4th. Our keynote speaker will be Judge James Gray. Tracy is coordinating with Pam Lichty and the Drug Policy Foundation to help finance his trip to Hawaii and to set up some kind of program for Saturday June 3rd...possibly a panel including Duke Aiona the Lt. Governor.

Tracy floated the idea of gathering signatures on a pro-gambling petition and then using these names to recruit activists.

The next Exec Meeting will be on March 19

Submitted by Roger Taylor, Secretary

Would you like to be a delegate to the 2006 National Convention? The costs for the convention package range between \$70 and \$300. This does not include airfare to Portland and hotel costs. Unlike the Democrats and Republicans who use Federal tax dollars to fund their national conventions Libertarians raise their own money. We understand

Libertarian Party of Hawaii Executive Committee meetings are open to members and invited guests. Please feel free to join us on the third Sunday of every month at the Straub Hospital on Beretania St. Physicians' Cafeteria.

Our next EC meeting will be on Sunday March 19th at 6:30 PM. Those wishing to join us for dinner should arrive at 6PM. Parking is free in the Straub garage after 6PM on Sundays.

WANT TO SHOW US ALL YOUR POWERS OF PERSUASION? JOIN THE LIBERTARIAN ON-LINE DISCUSSION GROUP

BY WARREN WOODWARD

Not every day but often on the Libertarian Party of Hawaii's on-line discussion board there's an article or quote or comment that's interesting and relevant. Anyone can post and, in keeping with extreme libertarianism, I don't even know if there's any rules.

Everyone is invited to contribute thoughts, start a discussion, contribute to a discussion, or post an article. To join the Libertarian Party of Hawaii's on-line discussion board simply send a blank email to lph-discuss-subscribe@topica.com.

the Hotel rates will be about \$90 per night. The convention runs from Friday June 30th to Sunday July 2nd. We will confirm times and schedules soon.

Those interested in making the Portland trek should contact Party Chair Ryan to arrange to be credentialed.

GAMBLING INITIATIVE ON THE WAY

Freedom Advertising and Promotion is sponsoring a new effort to build grassroots support for overturning Hawaii's anti-gambling laws. The goal is to gather hundreds and eventually thousands of names and contact information of local people of like mind. The effort will be strictly separated from any specific attempts to help investors gain financial advantage through tailor made legislation. The attempt is aimed at allowing individual citizens the freedom to enjoy various gaming experiences in their own state

Freedom Advertising will be paying fees to volunteers who gather information. Bona fide contact information for persons not already involved in some way with the libertarian movement will be subject to compensation.

Persons interested in helping with this effort should contact Tracy at tracyar@verizon.net or call the number on the back of this newsletter.

From the Chair continued

Reid's presence here seems to have motivated others to start a young libertarian's group. We are hoping that Stuart Hayashi will take the lead on this along with Reid when he returns from college this summer.

Money and membership remain issues through everything else we deal with. Please help find a member. Our candidate for governor, Mr. Daniel has already brought us four of five solid prospects, most of them younger voters without a lot of political baggage. Let's see if you can do the same.



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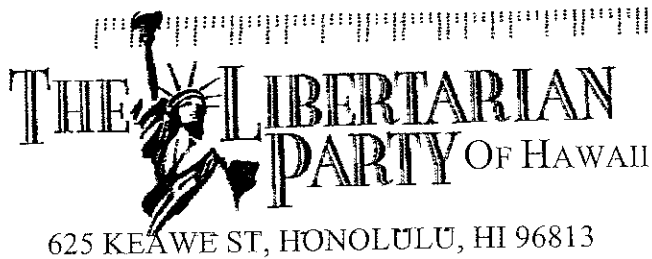
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