



T H E N E W J E R S E Y LIBERTARIAN

SEPTEMBER

1990

CALENDAR

9/8 - State Committee Meeting at the Karlan residence in Jamesburg. Call 201/444-2846 for info.

9/9 - Barbeque at Jerry Zeldin's, 4PM, to kickoff his campaign for Congress. See insert.

9/10 - Tax patriot Floyd Wright is the speaker at The Constitutionists meeting in Elmwood Park at 8 PM. Call 201/471-7591 for details.

9/14 - Libertarians of Monmouth County (LMC) meets at Helen Radder's home, 172 Smithburg Rd. (Rt. 524A), Manalapan. Call 201/780-2086 for directions.

9/22 - Lifespirit Congregational Church (formerly Libertarian Congregational Church) has its Fall Equinox Celebration from 2 PM to 2 AM at Ralph Fucetola's home, 53 Hill St., Morristown. Call 201/540-1643 for directions.

9/23 - Hands Across NJ anti-tax rally at the State House.

9/24 - Somerset/Middlesex Area Libertarians (SMAL) meet. Call Howard Schoen 201/572-0207 for details.

9/24 - Robert Clarkson will speak on the Constitutional Rights of Americans and Audit Procedures and How to Handle the IRS at the Constitutionists meeting (see 9/10).

10/7 - New Brunswick Oktoberfest. Call Michelle Maloney 201/572-1614 for info or to volunteer at the LP table.

10/13 - Metuchen Country Fair. Call Michelle etc. (see 10/7).

10/23 - Candidates night in Metuchen. LP candidates John Latsko & Eric Meltzer debate the other candidates for Metuchen Boro Council.

10/27 - LMC meeting & party at Tom Palven's, 95 Casino Dr., Farmingdale. Call 201/938-4775 for directions.

Mercer County Libertarians hold meetings on the last Sunday of each month at 7 PM at *Wildflowers* restaurant, Pennington Circle, Rt. 31 at 546 near Pennington. Call Carl Peters for info. 609/737-7667.

Nat'l Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) holds regular monthly meetings. Call 201/968-8226 for details.

SMAL Meeting a Huge Success!

The following advertisement appeared in nine newspapers in the Somerset/Middlesex area the Friday before the meeting. A total of 50 people attended on Monday night and about half of them stayed for discussions after Sam Perelli spoke. We felt that it was well worth the effort to get that ad in the paper. See news article about the meeting following ad.

- Michelle Maloney

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COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS

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Doris Gordon, National Coordinator

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Letters to the editor, articles, and commentary are welcome. Send to the Editor:

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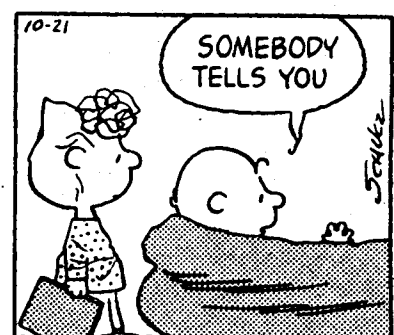
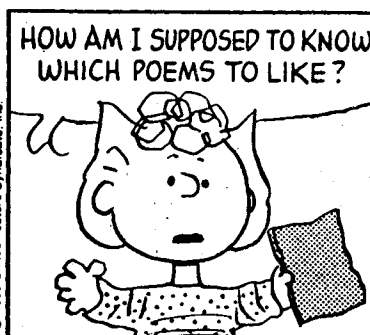
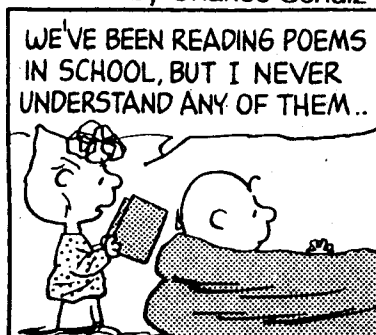
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Advertising and editorial material must be received by the editor on or before the 27th of the month to be in the following issue. We are currently on a monthly schedule.

PEANUTS by Charles Schulz



Angry home owners consider legal options

By Georgia Vosinakis

METUCHEN — Approximately 40 borough residents attended a public forum last week to find out what legal rights and recourse they possessed against a proposed borough ordinance which would designate their homes as historic and limit their abilities to do as they wished with their properties.

Rutgers law professor Robert Carter and Red Bank attorney Patricia Apy listed the options for those gathered at the Centenary United Methodist Church, located on Hillside Avenue near several old homes on large lots which provided an appropriate setting for such a discussion concerning historic preservation.

Carter, a Madison resident, explored the constitutionality of the proposed ordinance while Apy, who successfully argued for a property owner in one such case in Freehold, presented examples of cases fought against similar ordinances in other areas of New Jersey.

While the proposed ordinance was designed to protect approximately 300 historically significant borough homes from demolition, both lawyers said its language is too vague and that the borough's "good intentions" may paint an ugly picture for homeowners down the road.

One Maple Avenue resident acknowledged the borough's noble motives to "preserve the integrity of the town" while another pointed out that the borough is "hiding behind the skirts of 'historic preservation' ... to keep developers from building a monstrosity no one likes."

Apy said the vagueness of the document is grounds for declaring it unconstitutional. She indicated municipalities have modeled historic preservation ordinances on legislation which exists for historic designation but there exists no state legislation for historic

preservation as such.

The owner of a home on Spring Street, which he said was designated by the borough to be "20 percent historic," wondered aloud which portion -- historic or contemporary -- remained after 50 percent of it was destroyed by fire.

Another resident pointed out that no Metuchen home is listed on state or national historic registers and that many of the properties on the borough's list for preservation are not truly historic. Several residents said they were opposed to the ordinance because it places a burden of proof upon the homeowner to show why his home should not be deemed historic.

Although the state legislature permits the historic designation of individual sites and of unique districts, such as Cape May, it does not clearly define specific characteristics of historic properties, said Apy. She noted factors such as the proximity of historic homes and the voluntary support of residents which make historic preservation a "boon" in these instances.

"Historic preservation, on the side of the angels, is a lovely idea," said Apy, "but until there's more definitive case law in that area, local property owners will have to deal with it on a grass-roots level."

Several residents said they would like to take legal action to stop the proposed ordinance before it is passed but the lawyers advised them that a class action suit could not be filed against a mere proposal.

"Before it happens, there's very little the courts can do for you," said Carter. He told the residents that one course of action they *could* take now would be to "make noise" by making their voices heard at Borough Council meet-

ings.

Apy agreed adding that they should impress upon borough leaders that if they intend to limit the property rights of homeowners, "its going to cost them money."

"Middletown spent in excess of \$200,000," she said, and then added, "The taxpayers paid for it."

Apy stressed that residents should become involved in the process, ask to see the survey done by borough officials which designates historic properties and keep a close eye on whatever restrictions plan to be imposed on those properties.

"This is an excellent turnout for this stage of the process," said Apy of her Metuchen audience. "Usually residents want to do something when the barn door has closed or long after the cows have left."

Carter said once an ordinance of this type has passed, there are two paths of "winning" recourse for those who may be affected negatively by it. He said one way is to attack its constitutionality and the question of whether it is serving a public purpose, another is to demand "just compensation."

"One might argue successfully that the borough had taken part of the value of the property and the homeowner deserves compensation," he said, noting that the ordinance may in this way be deemed as a "regulatory taking."

John Latsko and Eric Meltzer, Libertarian Party candidates for Borough Council and co-sponsors of the forum, said they would support borough residents who would like to fight the ordinance with a class action suit on constitutional grounds should it pass.

Metuchen homeowners have since formed an organization to actively fight the "historic preservation" ordinance. Other municipalities have similar ordinances.

TAX REVOLT!

The chairman of the United Taxpayers of N.J., Sam Perelli will speak about the tax increase and how to fight it on Monday 8 PM July 23 at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 1640 Amwell Rd. in Somerset. He was also a main speaker at the tax protest rally in Trenton, July 1.

This event is sponsored by the Somerset/Middlesex Area Libertarians and is open to the public. Call 201-572-0207 or 201-572-1614 for details. Doors open at 7 PM.

C-2 Tuesday, July 24, 1990/THE COURIER-NEWS •

LOCAL

Tax protest head urges involvement in 'system'

By **STEPHANIE GREEN**
Courier-News Staff Writer

FRANKLIN (Somerset) — The best way to stand up to Gov. Jim Florio's new taxes is to make an impact on the local level, the chairman of a tax protest group said last night.

Sam Perelli, chairman of the United Taxpayers of New Jersey, said individuals and groups need to become more involved in "the system" by attending municipal meetings and becoming familiar with the inner workings of local government.

Perelli, speaking to about 35 people at the monthly meeting of the

Somerset-Middlesex Area Libertarians, said that if the party becomes more visible, the public would better understand its position on taxes.

"By attending these meetings and taking notes, people will be curious as to your political involvement and realize that there is another political option," said Perelli. "This will help to shatter the image that libertarians believe in the right to carry Uzis and the right to smoke pot."

The Libertarian Party generally believes that government should stay out of moral and economic issues.

Perelli said another way to stand up to new taxes is to send a message to Florio by politically "killing" the

person closest to him — U.S. Sen. Bill Bradley. The two-term Democratic senator is running for re-election this fall against former Somerset County Freeholder Christie Whitman.

Perelli said he was trying to fight the tax increases by attempting to help New Jersey residents put a referendum on each county ballot, asking voters whether their county freeholders should ask the state to repeal the tax package.

Howard Schoen, chairman of the Somerset-Middlesex Area Libertarians, said that although the group has not adopted an official position against the new taxes, many of its members oppose them.

"At Issue" on New Channel

"At Issue," Ron Paul's public policy discussion television program, moves to the Channel America Television Network beginning Sept. 2. The show will air Sunday mornings at 11:30 EST.

Channel America is a full-time broadcast and cable, all-family-program network that is available to 14.5 million households—and is one of the fastest growing broadcasters in the country. "At Issue" also will have promotional spots running three times a day, seven days a week, and listings in television guides.

By special agreement, Channel America is placing no restrictions on the "At

Issue" program signal. Any cable system in the country may take "At Issue" at no charge from the Spacenet 2 satellite, transponder 3 (channel 5). This bonus authorization applies only to "At Issue" and to no other Channel America programming, but it means that any cable TV subscriber in the country may ask their local cable company to take the program directly from satellite for local access channel or other showings—and the program is free.

The series is booked for 13 weeks through Nov. 25, with an option for the following 13 weeks through Feb. 1991. For more information call 713-333-1988.



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The June issue of "The Libertarian" carried a research article by Ed Huser on why public officials are trying to take away our firearms. That same article is reprinted here as we have found the Department of State publication released in 1961 called "Freedom From War" which describes itself as "the United States program for general and complete disarmament in a peaceful world" and is the basis for the laws researched by Ed. In our humble opinion, only the painfully ignorant and incredibly naive would accept this "world peace" excuse for the complete elimination of weapons except for those required by the States for maintenance of internal order. This 19 page booklet can be yours for \$1.50 from the Editor, Claudia Montelione, P.O. Box 913, Matawan, NJ 07747.

If anyone has a reasonable contrary opinion, please explain it. It's said there are 2 sides to every argument, but for the life of us, we can only see the proverbial wolf in sheep's clothing on the other side of this one.

Do you want to know WHY Public Officials are voting to take away your firearms? Go to almost any library and ask the librarian where the United States Code books are shelved (NOT the U S C Annotated). There are twenty five reddish-brown books in the set. They were printed by the Government Printing Office in Washington, D C.

Open Volume 9. The page numbers are set in the center near the middle binding. The Section numbers are along the edges.

Turn to Page 554. Here you will find Public Law 87-297 which calls for the U S A to eliminate its armed forces. This law was signed in the U S A in 1961. John F. Kennedy SIGNED it and every President since has worked to enact its provisions. The Government knows you will not approve, which is why they want to take away your firearms.

Turn to Page 555. Here you will find the definition of what the Government means by "Disarmament". Find it on the lower right hand side of the page. The disarmament calls for the ELIMINATION OF OUR ARMED FORCES. It also calls for the elimination of weapons of all kinds.

Turn to Page 559. Here you will find it stated as item (a) ... "Elimination of Armed Forces..." What you need to know is that your Armed Forces are to be ELIMINATED FROM NATIONAL CONTROL, which in turn wipes out our sovereignty as a Nation. In two stages we shall have NO ARMY, NO NAVY AND NO MORE AIR FORCE. In the third stage we shall have a "zero Military". Before Stage One closes, ALL CITIZEN-OWNED GUNS WILL BE BANNED. HOW SAFE WILL YOU BE THEN? UNLESS YOU KNOW THIS.....YOUR GUNS ARE GONE.

"These are the times that try men's souls. Tyranny is not easily conquered; the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly. It would be strange indeed, if so celestial an article as freedom should not be highly rated."

Thomas Paine 1776

Two active promoters of free market ideas, Eduardo Marty of Argentina and Richard Cooper of the USA, are seeking to organize a tour to Argentina. Although its economic problems with big government are troublesome, Argentina offers very impressive bargains at high style in shopping, nightlife, restaurants, and all the usual tourist diversions. The tour would combine standard tourist offerings with a program of talks on Argentina, Peron, inflation, and other topics of interest to supporters of a free market and individual liberty. Participants would be given the opportunity to meet socially with like-minded Argentines.

The very active free market movement in Argentina was the subject of an article by Mr. Cooper in the December 1989 issue of *The Freeman*, available for \$1.00 from the Foundation for Economic Education, 30 So. Broadway, Irvington, NY 10533.

Still engaged in the planning stages, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Marty wish to find out the level of interest and what visitors might like to see in such a tour. For instance, it is possible that the tour could include classes in Spanish or tango. As seasons are reversed in the Southern Hemisphere, there are many options of city tours, beach or ski resorts available. If interested, your response should indicate age, price preferences, time of year, length of tour and where you learned of the proposal as well as any interests or desire you might have to: Richard Cooper, 2115 Valentines Rd., Westbury, NY 11590. Reader input is greatly appreciated.

Criminals won't comply

To the editor:

In his "Guest Opinion" column of July 18, Walter J. Kent, D.D.S., elaborates on the fact that government bureaucrats of the 20th Century are more to be feared than Indians of the 18th and 19th centuries. He seems to feel that because he is a "good guy" (a law abiding dentist) and has to put up with massive government intrusion into his daily business, then the "bad guys" (law abiding gun owners) should also have to put up with massive government regulation. What Dr. Kent fails to realize or take into account is the fact that although those laws and regulations are in place governing his practice, not one of them would be effective in protecting his patients if he chose not to abide by them. In other words, if Dr. Kent decided to gas up his patients and remove all of their healthy teeth on a whim, the mere fact that he fills out a morass of forms and is registered or licensed by a morass of agencies, is not going to stop him. In fact, these laws are more likely designed to inhibit other dentists from entering the marketplace and thus keep dental care premiums at a maximum.

The same holds true for firearms legislation. It will only affect the "good guys" who intend to respect the laws and the rights of others in the first place and thereby limit only legitimate firearms possessions. Criminals (by definition of the word)

The same holds true for firearms legislation. It will only affect the "good guys" who intend to respect the laws and the rights of others in the first place and thereby limit only legitimate firearms possessions. Criminals (by definition of the word) will simply refuse to comply, and if Dr. Kent or anyone else believes that the flow of illegal weapons into the country can be controlled, then let them see how well the war on illegal drugs is going.

Michael R. Harris
N.J. Libertarian
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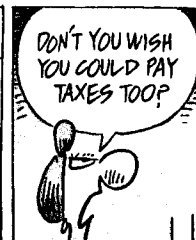
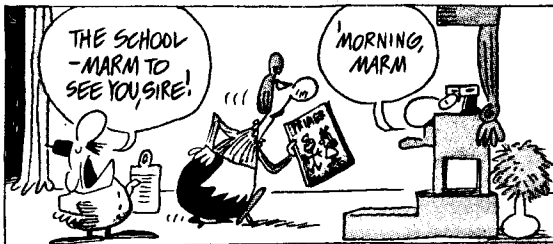
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Brant parker and Johnny hart



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to be secure in their
persons, houses, papers,
and effects, against
unreasonable searches and
seizures,
shall not be violated . . .**

**4th Amendment
U. S. Constitution**

FEDS RAID HOME

On July 16, 1990 at 4 PM seven heavily armed IRS agents wearing bullet proof vests entered the Melton home at 803 E. Main St., Forrest City, NC. The agents claimed Mr. Melton and his brothers were engaged in a so-called "illegal tax protest" activity and invaded the Melton home to take evidence of this alleged illegal activity.

Among the items taken from the Melton home were copies of the Constitution of the United States, copies of a speech by former President Ronald Reagan and a "Rambo knife" that little six-year-old Jason Melton received from his Grandmother as a Christmas present last year.

This was one of four such outrages committed Monday, July 16, 1990 in Forrest City, North Carolina. The Meltons and other victims are now working on a lawsuit against the IRS and the agents involved. If you'd like to lend support to them, call 704/245-3272 for information on what you can do to help.



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