



Time to "boo" bonds

Say yes to Barry, but vote NO on increased taxes November 6

By Robert Giedt

As Barry Bonds tries for a home run record, our local politicians are swinging for the fences as well—shoveling over \$300,000,000 worth of city and county-wide bond measures on the November 6 ballot. These don't even count the 12 "special taxes" cities are trying to impose on recession-ravaged taxpayers. It's time for us to yell "Enough is enough!"

True, this argument is preaching to the choir, but with many of these bonds/taxes only requiring a simple majority (or 55%), we need to get the word out to our friends, family, and coworkers. Explain to them how bonds directly affect their bottom line:

- If they have children, explain to them that bond measure will cost their kids (who can't even vote to protect their rights) thousands of dollars in future wages.
- If they use the "but it's for the schools" argument, explain to them that precious little of school budgets ever even reach the kids and are earmarked for the vast layer of support personnel a school district "provides"—support personnel that weren't around (and weren't needed!) when they were in school.

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September meeting notes

by Linden Hsu

Dinner and attendance

The dinner conversation was enjoyably enhanced with the addition of some newcomers. Ten people attended the business meeting including Maad Abu-Ghazalah, Larry Weiner, Bill Henderson, and Ray Bell.

Reports

Jack noted that he produced a press release "Libertarians Attack Status Quo." He spoke at and will continue to speak at various forums regarding this November's elections. Like Jack, Rob Fliegler, Christopher Schmidt, and Linden Hsu have also been attending various events related to this fall's elections.

Business

The LPSM Central Committee voted to provide up to a \$365 dollar-for-dollar match for

a newspaper ad publicizing the LPSM with content to be decided by a committee consisting of Larry Weiner, Rob Fliegler, and Jack Hickey (7-1-0). The original motion of \$1,000 was amended to \$365 after much debate (4-3-0).

Rob Fliegler pledged \$365, not counted toward the match, to help fund the ad. Robert Giedt offered to help with graphic design.

2002 Elections

The Central Committee voted to endorse Maad Abu-Ghazalah for CD12, Robert Giedt for AD19, and Rob Fliegler for SD8 (8-0-0).

The Central Committee also voted to endorse candidates to be negotiated with the Santa Clara LP for CD14 and AD21, with Ray Bell as the alternate for AD21 (8-0-0).

The Central Committee authorized the ExComm to adjust endorsements for bound-

San Mateo County libertarians in non-partisan races

by Robert Giedt

This November 4, be sure to help our fellow Libertarians gain office in their non-partisan races in San Mateo County. Even though they can't have a party affiliation on the ballot, they're doing their part for liberty!

Belmont City Council: Linden Hsu; Jefferson Elementary School District: Robert Fliegler; Menlo Park Fire Protection District: Chita Albert and Howard Van Jepmond; Mid-Peninsula County Water District: Scott Rynearson; San Carlos School District: Brian Holtz; San Mateo Community College District: John J. "Jack" Hickey; Sequoia Union High School District: Raymond Bell; and West Bay Sanitary District: William Henderson

Spread the word to all the folks you know, because every vote helps! ☺

This list was derived from the Libertarian Party of California's website at <http://www.ca.lp.org>.

ary changes and to fill open slots (8-0-0).

2001 Elections

The Central Committee endorsed our listed libertarian candidates for elected offices (8-0-0). ☺

NEXT 2 BUSINESS MEETINGS:

Thursday, October 18 and
Thursday, November 15
Hobee's Restaurant
1111 Shoreway Road
Belmont

(off Ralston on the bay side of 101)

Dinner (optional):

6:00-7:30PM in the dining room alcove

Business meeting:

7:30-8:45PM in the dining room alcove

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- If they have a track record of justness and fairness, explain to them that bonds aren't the will of the people—51% of the votes can equate to less than 12% of the possible voting public, and how fair is it that 12% of the people make public policy?
- If they're a business owner, explain to them that bond measures mean higher taxes and higher taxes mean less disposable income to spend in *their* stores.
- If they're a manager at a company, explain to them that school bonds are put on the ballot due to fiscal irresponsibility (and if they were in business, they'd be fired for incompetence!).

Basically, find an issue your friends, family, and coworkers are passionate about, and apply a ratio-

nale about how bonds are bad for our economy and way of life. With word-of-mouth and increased awareness, we can strive to hit a home run of our own (or at least a timely base on balls). ☺

Fiscally conservative in San Bruno

by Christopher Schmidt

San Bruno library bond and eminent domain opponent Barbara LaRaia invites San Bruno libertarians to display yard signs for fiscally conservative city council candidates Chris Pallas and Gary Fleming this election.

Call her at 650/615-9384 or write to bblmc87@yahoo.com for more information. ☺

Membership Form
(includes membership in the national, state & local Libertarian Party)



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I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals.

Signature: _____

I choose to set my dues at:

- \$10 Local newsletter only
(signature/pledge not required)
- \$25 Basic
- \$100 Sustaining
- \$250 Sponsor
- \$500 Patron
- \$1,000 Life

Add'l contribution to the San Mateo Region:

- \$ _____ Monthly Pledge
- \$ _____ One-time Donation

TOTAL:

Payment method:

- Check (payable to the Libertarian Party)
- Visa MasterCard
- Credit Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____
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