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BADNARIK CAMPAIGN VISIT,
SEPT 14-15, 2004.
LP Presidential candidate Michael Badnarik visits Virginia this month. See the LPVA event calendar for more info, www.lpva.com

NOVA POT LUCK DINNER PARTIES, 7:00 P.M.
October 16, 2004
RSVP Chuck and Judy, 703-855-8767, email Charles@eby.name
4572 Fair Valley Dr., Fairfax

November 13, 2004
LPFC Annual Convention and Dinner. RSVP Scott and Anne Wakeman, 703-426-4573, email scott.t.wakeman@verizon.net, 10133 Red Spruce Rd., Fairfax

December 11, 2004
RSVP Fred and Marcia, 703-533-0330, email childress.fred@bls.gov, 3015 Aspen Ln., Falls Church, VA 22042.

NOVA SOCIAL HOUR
Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Hamburger Hamlet Crystal Square shopping center. Call Dana Johansen, 703-960-9120, or email FairfaxLP@lpva.com

LPFC MEETINGS Third Monday, 7:00 p.m. Harvest Moon Restaurant, 7260 Arlington Blvd. (come at 6:45 p.m. for the buffet dinner)

Campagna Introduces "New Paradigm" for Campaigning

By Chuck Eby

Falls Church - August 15, 2004 - Richard Campagna, Libertarian candidate for Vice President of the United States, presented his strategy for the campaign trail at Saturday night's fundraiser at the Italian Cafe in Falls Church.

"I'd like to lay out what has been called a 'new paradigm' for a VP campaign," Campagna told over 30 supporters.

Campagna, a lawyer who has worked in New York, Washington, and now lives in Iowa has met with large and diverse groups of clients during his career.

"I've been looking long and hard at some of the different constituencies that I've had contact with over the course of my years, and they seem to be a large number of constituencies, probably we're talking about 80% of the American population," said Campagna. "So one of the elements of this paradigm is to get before these constituencies who traditionally would not be big Libertarian voters and try to be the link to our philosophy, our approach, and these voters."

With these constituencies in mind, Campagna has spent a large portion of

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Richard Campagna and First Congressional District Chair Kathy Mullin. Photo by Liz Bowles

BADNARIK VISITS VIRGINIA

Presidential candidate Michael Badnarik will visit Virginia September 14-15. Turn to page 9 for a complete visit schedule.

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Ins and Outs of LP Political Strategy

By Beth Homicz

Fairfax County LP Member Paul Cox hosted a lively session at his home on March 14, 2004, aimed at identifying a Nova Libertarian Party political strategy with strong chance of success. In attendance were about 10 LP activists from various jurisdictions in northern Virginia.

Cox, who managed his brother Timothy Cox's 2002 LP campaign for governor of Oregon, offered this session to share his hard-won experience with local LP activists. He directed the discussion along the lines of what he called the "SLOT" theory: **S**trengths, **L**imitations, **O**pportunities, and **T**hreats.

His most vital point was that the first two, Strengths and Limitations, are based internally, while Opportunities and Threats are external issues. With this concept, the group was able to brainstorm a long list of issues to fit each of the four categories.

Some examples were:

Strengths:

- 1 High level of intelligence and education among LP members
- 2 Long history as a third party with over 600 currently in elected office nationwide and a Presidential candidate every four years
- 3 Clear, consistent, true American message and principles
- 4 A committed core group of volunteer activists

Limitations:

- 1 Lack of funding for campaigns
- 2 Small party membership
- 3 Lack of political experience and party organization
- 4 Perception as "Losertarians"
- 5 High number of introverted and/or individualist people as members
- 6 Perception as extremist
- 7 Internal dissension on where to direct efforts and assets

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Volunteers Needed for the Libertarian Party of Fairfax County

* Campaigns, Presidential and Local. Every four years we get a major opportunity to get new members and votes. And because Virginia has some elections every year, we always need candidates and campaign supporters. Please call or email Marianne Volpe at mvolpe@starpower.net or 703-960-2973 if you want to help or run for office.

* Adopt-A-Highway road clean-up, tbd. This is a fun way to let people know Libertarians care about their community. If you have a few hours on a Saturday in the coming months, please contact Chuck Eby at Webmaster@lpva.com or 703-855-8767 to volunteer.

* Booth Committee. We always need volunteers to staff tables and booths for outreach events. If can spare a few hours, please email or call Chuck Eby.

* Website Committee, Membership Committee. Do you know your way around websites? Like to talk to people about the Libertarian Party? Please contact Chairman Dana Johansen to find out how you can help.

Contact information: Chairman Dana Johansen, telephone at 703-960-9120 or 703-960-2973, or by email at Fairfaxlp@lpva.com. Thank you.

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his time concentrating on the battleground states in the Mississippi and Ohio river basins. "I've been up and down those states on the theory that in the event that we don't win, our vote totals are expected to be well above what could be the margin of victory," said Campagna.

Steve Dasbach, former LP National Chair reinforced this idea. "The press only cares about the horse race - who's ahead, who's behind, who's going to win and who's going to lose - and if you're not part of that equation, you don't exist," said Dasbach. "This time around we have a close election, a lot of close states, and we've got an opportunity to be a big factor in that equation, and that's our opening to getting the kind of visibility and coverage that we deserve."



Guests attend the banquet for Richard Campagna. Photo by Liz Bowles

Dasbach pointed out that in New Mexico, where the Libertarians are the only third party on the presidential ballot, the Rasmussen poll indicates that LP Presidential Candidate Michael Badnarik is drawing 5% in a close race between the two major parties. "The press is saying, 'wait a minute, that is larger than the margin of victory. We've got to start paying attention to these people'", said Dasbach.

Campagna plans to supplement his strategy by visiting populous states like New York, California, Illinois and Texas that are not in play but will allow him to raise the raw vote totals for the Libertarian team.

The fundraiser exceeded expectations. Over \$4,000 was raised for the campaign.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Outreach booths like the one we sponsored at the Fairfax County Fair are an important way for us to educate voters and find new members. Please help the LPFC by pledging your support on a monthly basis, or by making a one time donation. Mail the form below to: LPFC, PO Box 31, Merrifield, VA 22116.

Yours in liberty,
Dana Johansen, LPFC Chairman

Yes! I would like to support the LPFC by making a monthly pledge.
I would like to pledge \$ _____ per month.
Here is my one time donation of \$ _____.



Charge my Visa Mastercard AMEX Discover
 (I understand that my credit card bill will show a charge to the LPVA)

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 EMPLOYER

 EMPLOYMENT LOCATION**

*Federal law requires political committees to report the name, mailing address, occupation, and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. Contributions are not tax deductible
 **Virginia law requires all committees to report the name, mailing address, job title or profession and name of employer or employer's specific field for each individual whose cumulative contributions aggregate is in excess of \$100 in an election cycle.

Carry liberty's torch in 2005

By Steve Damerell

The Libertarian Party of Virginia has taken some exciting steps in the campaign arena over the last year. Perhaps most exciting, this May we saw Robert Dean get 43% of the vote in a 3-way race for mayor of Virginia Beach, the largest city in the state. If ever concrete proof was needed that principled Libertarians can compete in major elections if they do their work, we have it now.

That's why I'm writing to ask *you* to consider whether it's time to consider a 2005 run for office. We have a large number of Libertarians in Northern Virginia who would make excellent candidate material and have never seriously considered throwing their hat in the ring before.

In 2005, Virginia will hold elections for statewide office and the House of Delegates, which is where the LPVA wants to focus its campaigning efforts. And if we're going to run serious races, the time to be planning them is *now*. Whether you want to run a minimal campaign to provide voters with a real choice, or you want to run a serious challenge to the major-party establishment, we can help you take the initial steps to putting your campaign in place.

The LPVA is nothing more than a debating society or a social club if we're not providing as many candidates to voters as possible, year after year. If you can serve as one of those candidates in 2005, you'll be taking up liberty's torch for the whole voting public to see. There's no more admirable task to be performed.

The Republicrat establishment will continue to write us off if we don't challenge them. We need to make our presence known by threatening what they cherish most – their power. One of the best stages to do that on will be next year's state campaigns. Just think, an army of well-run Libertarian campaigns could make the establishment politicians think twice before they raise our taxes or threaten our fundamental liberties again. Do you want to be part of the team that makes it happen?

More campaigns means a more visible and growing party – this is how we must set the stage for liberty to be reclaimed for our generations and ones to follow. If you want to be part of this task, I want to hear from you – please contact me *today* at (703) 851-4674 or Chair@LPVA.com

Yours in liberty,

Steve Damerell
Chairman, Libertarian Party of Virginia
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A Culture of Subservience

by Scott McPherson, July 23, 2004

In a December 2 op-ed in the *Washington Times*, "Building a Culture of Service," John M. Bridgeland, president and director of USA Freedom Corps, wrote, "President Bush sought to foster a culture of service, citizenship, and responsibility" following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and, to that end, created the Freedom Corps. He then "asked every American to give at least two years of their lives in service to others."

"Looking at how Americans are responding," Bridgeland continued, "there are strong signs of hope. Within two years of the president's call to service, the new Citizen Corps is mobilizing Americans nationwide.... Americans are signing up in droves to become an even greater nation of joiners and givers," including doctors, nurses, neighborhood-watch committees, volunteer police officers, wildfire fighters, and hurricane response groups.

"It is this selfless service to others," Bridgeland concludes, "that makes us unique in the world and connects us to what it really means to be an American."

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The trouble, however, is that this “culture of service” so praised by a government bureaucrat should give us far more reason to reflect than to celebrate.

America was not founded on the idea of “selfless service to others” as our highest ethical achievement. Thomas Jefferson penned the Declaration of Independence to declare to the world that “all Men are created equal” and “endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights” and “that to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted.” In other words, individuals have moral rights that pre-exist government, government exists to protect those rights, and people have a moral responsibility to respect the rights of others.

Modern libertarians have best explained this relationship as one in which every person is to be left free to pursue his own happiness, with government on hand to guard us from those who might defraud us or cause us physical harm.

Under this framework, people saw themselves as autonomous individuals with a moral endowment to proceed peacefully in the quest for their own personal fulfillment. This could be, and was, achieved in any number and combination of ways: commerce, religion, charity, artistic expression, family, industry, chastity, prudence, entrepreneurship, investment — all were seen as paths to personal enrichment and the creation of a richer, kinder, more peaceful nation.

What made us “unique in the world,” then — what it *really* meant to be an American — was that, *for the first time in history*, a group of people had constructed a government which, for the most part, was morally *as well as legally* restricted from interfering with the peaceful actions of the citizenry. Americans saw government essentially as the means to just one end: keeping the peace.

As the French philosopher and statesman Frédéric Bastiat explained in *The Law*, written 60 years after the ratification of the Constitution, “If every person has the right to defend — even by force — his person, his liberty, and his property, then it follows that a group of men have the right to organize and support a common force to protect these rights constantly.” *That* is why Americans created their government.

The moral foundation of American society was never supposed to be *service* — it was meant to be *freedom*, which is why the Constitution limited the central government to executing a handful of delegated functions, none of which included enlisting or cajoling people into joining a government “corps” for “service to others.” As Sheldon Richman noted in *Your Money or Your Life*, “The United States of America was the first nation self-consciously created for the sake of the individual.”

Of course, no one has ever been forbidden to help another in this republic. On the contrary, it was precisely because of the culture of freedom protected by the Constitution that charitableness, free to exist, became commonplace in our society.

With the establishment of a free political system, unprecedented material gains were able to unfold. During the course of the first hundred-plus years of this nation’s existence, living standards skyrocketed as a direct result of government’s “hands off” approach to Americans’ personal affairs. Property rights, limited government, and the rule of law meant that businesses were safe to make lots and lots of *money*, without fear of confiscation and redistribution. As a result, Americans, working together through voluntary cooperation and trade, built the richest country in the history of the world.

As general wealth grew, so too did the spread of philanthropy. Few realize it, but the many institutions they take for granted today to provide assistance to the poor and underprivileged and the many museums found in our large cities have their roots in the wealth and productivity of the 19th century.

Wealth and charity

This shouldn’t be surprising: As more and more people were able to build personal wealth — as long as government was staying out of people’s way and allowing them to create and amass great fortunes — more money was available to donate to causes for the not-so-well-off. For example, John D. Rockefeller, the great oil tycoon so vilified by modern statisticians, actually gave more money to charity in his lifetime than anyone had ever previously *made* in his lifetime. Even today, laboring under a historically high tax burden, Americans still give upwards of \$200 billion per year to charity.

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Arlington County LP News

The Arlington County LP will meet later in the month of September. For more information about the upcoming meeting, or to volunteer your time, please contact Chairman Shaun Whelden at shaunw@liberateschool.com or 703-534-1488.

LP of Fairfax County News and Annual Convention

The LPFC meets on the third Monday of each month at the Harvest Moon Restaurant, 7260 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., but come early for the buffet dinner (only \$6.95). Chairman Dana Johansen invites everyone with an interest in local Libertarian activities to attend. Are you interested in running for office in 2004? Please attend the meeting, or contact the Chairman at fairfaxlp@lpva.com, or 703-960-9120.

The Annual County Convention of the Libertarian Party of Fairfax County is November 13, 2004, at the home of Anne and Scott Wakeman, 10133 Red Spruce Rd., Fairfax, VA 22032. The convention starts at 6:00 p.m. and is followed by the regular monthly pot luck dinner party.

The business of the Annual County Convention includes election of County Committee members, adoption of changes to the Bylaws, and consideration of other motions and resolutions. To be eligible to vote you must meet the requirements listed in the Bylaws, Article II, Section 1, "Any member of LPVA who resides in Fairfax County is considered a Member of LPFC sixty days after taking the action necessary to become a member of LPVA. "

A formal notice will be mailed to all members at least four weeks before the date of the Annual Convention.

LP of Prince William County News

The LPPWC meets on the second Monday of the month at the Pizza Gourmet, 12425 Hedges Run Dr., Woodbridge, VA 703-491-9343. The Social Hour kicks off at 7:00 and the business meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome! Please contact Chairman Kathy Mullin for more information at 703-221-9875 or PrinceWilliam@lpva.com.

The LPPWC manned a booth at the PW County Fair, August 13th - 21st. This was largely accomplished with the volunteer assistance of many colleagues from the Fairfax County LP.

Richard Campagna, LP VP candidate was the highlight of the Fair for the LPPWC when he spent about four hours at the Fair, Sunday, August 14th. During the nine day event, the LPPWC distributed thousands of pieces of LP literature to the attendees. "I believe this event served to introduce many attendees to the LP" said Eleventh Congressional Committee Chairman Ken Morrison, "providing them with information on who we are and what we stand for and that the LP is a viable option to those disenfranchised, perhaps feeling disenfranchised with the major parties."

State Fair September 23-October 3 - Your Help is Needed!

The Libertarian Party of Virginia will have a booth this year at the State Fair. This is one of the best opportunities the party has to meet voters and get Badnarik campaign materials and Libertarian Party brochures into their hands. The event is a long one, eleven days, and the organizer, Third Congressional District Chairman Tom Blanton, will need a lot of volunteers to ensure every shift is covered.

Tom needs at least two people per six hour shift to cover the booth. If you can help for even one day, please contact him at 3CD@lpva.com or Marianne Volpe at mvolpe@starpower.net or 703-960-2973. Carpool, anyone? We will arrange transportation to Richmond for willing volunteers. For more information about the Fair, see the website, www.statefair.com.

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Early Americans would actually have been quite wary of a federally sponsored “culture of service.” Thomas Jefferson, who supported poor relief at the local level, nonetheless wanted assistance administered by the vestrymen of each parish or by county government but only for “vagabonds” and “able-bodied persons not having wherewithal to maintain themselves,” and that even those few be kept in poorhouses.

“Selfless service,” for Jefferson, would have extended, at most, to the barest minimum of assistance to the “poor, lame, impotent [weak], blind and other inhabitants of the county as are not able to maintain themselves.” He would never have supported a federal program decreed by the president to “connect millions of Americans to service opportunities in communities, schools, and workplaces,” as Freedom Corps director Bridgeland boasts of his new bureaucracy.

“Service” and the welfare state

The involvement of government in welfare and other types of service to the poor was viewed with considerable suspicion by the Framers. Benjamin Franklin saw the result of England’s relatively extensive welfare system as harmful to the character of the citizen. “I am for doing good to the poor,” he wrote, “but I differ in opinion of the means. I think the best way of doing good to the poor, is not making them easy in poverty, but leading or driving them out of it.”

Today, the federal government provides, in Bridgeland’s words, “the most comprehensive online clearinghouse connecting citizens with service opportunities close to home or” — lest we think that our responsibility to serve others ends at the border — “around the world.”

Perhaps this stands to reason: If ours is indeed to be a “culture of service,” then the least the government could do is make it easy for us to fulfill our destiny, as defined by a government bureaucracy.

One could argue that this is all much ado about nothing, that in an op-ed penned to promote USA Freedom Corps it is reasonable to expect so much emphasis to be put on service.

That ignores, however, a key reality: An idea growing in popularity — in newspaper editorials, on talk radio, on TV news programs, in boardrooms, in the workplace, in virtually every last vestige of our society — is that Americans have a legal responsibility to serve others, so much so that to suggest otherwise is to risk becoming a social pariah.

But should service be the business of government? A search of both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution — America’s two founding documents — finds *not one reference* to the power of government to force American citizens to serve their fellow man. In fact, the sole purpose behind the crafting of those documents was to define the proper role of *government in serving the citizen ... by leaving him free to manage his own affairs*, including whether, how, and when he will voluntarily extend a hand of charity to others. The Founders were wise enough to understand that the best way of providing for the less fortunate was to maintain a culture of freedom, and, by extension, prosperity. They also realized that a virtuous society could be possible only if built on a foundation of personal autonomy. Coerced compassion is not deserving of the name.

One might think that if selfless service to others was meant to be our society’s guiding light, those who created the political framework to protect it might have mentioned it once!

Bridgeland’s op-ed, by comparison, used the words “serve” or “service” no fewer than 16 times, *but not one time* did he offer so much as a passing glance at the concepts of individual rights, limited government, or the individual pursuit of happiness. For Bridgeland — and we can presume for President Bush, as well — the model citizen sees his most profound duty — “what it really means to be an American” — as serving his fellow man, and government as the instrument for achieving that goal.

This is highly dangerous to a culture of freedom. Any society that allows its government to define “what it really means” to be a good citizen has reversed the relationship between governed and government: It is the citizen who tells government what is right and proper, not the other way around. Sad to say, we’re well beyond this point.

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Opportunities:

- 1 Dispossessed Republicans and Democrats in today’s increasingly “one-party” political climate
- 2 Largest per capita tax increase in the nation was passed this year in Virginia
- 3 House of Delegates races in 2005: many seats historically go uncontested!
- 4 Libertarians match the demographics of Northern Virginia
- 5 The growing number of homeschooling parents
- 6 Local offices, homeowners’ associations and condo boards

Threats:

- 1 Republicans and Democrats are increasingly seeing the LP as a real spoiler, and may try to sabotage the party through planting moles, restricting ballot access, co-option of potential LP candidates, etc.
- 2 Ongoing financial difficulties, database frustration, and staff turnover at national party headquarters
- 3 Attacks on even local LP candidates based upon unpopular planks in the national LP platform

Cox then challenged the group to consider that where the LP’s internal and external issues (strengths and opportunities, or limitations and threats) intersect is where we most urgently need to direct our energies toward overcoming weakness and building success. Based on this insight, the group then selected several tasks they believed would be the wisest use of the NoVa LP’s efforts:

- 1 Viable candidate building starting at the local level: push civic involvement, alliance building, personal name recognition
- 2 Ignorance of practical politics: need to gain experience
- 3 Large number of inactive members: invite them to participate, draw in new members as we gain greater success
- 4 2005 House of Delegates races: play on 2004 major tax increase in the face of a budget surplus!
- 5 Highly committed core: encourage and support activists
- 6 Internal dissension: create and maintain a “big tent” atmosphere both for current LP members and new recruits

As the meeting came to a close, participants were encouraged to consider how they, as individuals and within their local LP groups, can best implement plans to overcome weakness and build toward political success.

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What’s next? If an American president can state, without any fear of criticism, that each and every citizen owes two years of his life — his *life!* — to another, and establish, at the stroke of a pen, a government bureau to promote that agenda, then how far can we be from instituting the kind of “national service” regime common under statist governments around the world? Remember, too, that no totalitarian system has ever been created without first convincing the people that their highest duty is to serve something other than themselves, such as their race, ethnicity, religion, class, or nation.

Our society was meant to be different, yet if we continue down a road that allows government officials to supplant our own value judgments with theirs, demanding that we substitute voluntary cooperation, charity, and trade with a duty to serve, and demonstrate our citizenship not by respecting the equal rights of others but by sacrificing ourselves to them, then an American Fatherland may be much closer than we think. Then ours will be not a culture of freedom or a culture of service, but a culture of subservience.

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Badnarik Visits Virginia September 14-16, 2004

Libertarian Presidential candidate Michael Badnarik will visit Virginia this month. Please contact Jim Lark , Local Affiliate Parties Committee Chairman, tor Liz Bowles, Badnarik Campaign Coorindator, to attend these events.

Tuesday, Sept. 14:

Speech at the University of Virginia at 8:00 p.m. in Maury Hall, room 209. (The event will be sponsored by the Jefferson Society at the University of Virginia and University Libertarians.) The event is free and open to the public.

Wednesday, Sept. 15:

LPVA fundraising banquet at Maggiano's restaurant, 11800 West Broad Street (in the Short Pump Town Center) in Richmond. The cost of a ticket for this event is \$50 if purchased on or before Sept. 10; the cost is \$75 if purchased after Sept. 10. Checks should be made payable to the Libertarian Party of Virginia. Please note that an invitation to the event is being mailed to all LPVA members; those wishing to attend can mail their checks or credit card authorizations to James Lark at PO Box 274, Free Union, VA 22940, or can fax their credit card authorizations to Marc Montoni in Edinburg at (540) 984-4608. Please indicate in your response whether you have any special dietary restrictions.

Thursday, Sept. 16:

Speech at Virginia Tech at 8:00 p.m. in the Haymarket Theater in the Squires Student Center. (The event will be sponsored by the Libertarians at Virginia Tech.)

These events are listed on the event calendar section of the LPVA website (www.lpva.com/Calendar/events.asp)

Please let Jim Lark know as soon as possible whether you wish to attend the banquet or if you have questions. Seating is somewhat limited, and there will be a substantial demand for seats at the banquet. Jim can be contacted via e-mail at jwlark@dellmail.com or by calling him at home: 434-973-5958.

Would you like to attend these events, or help the Badnarik effort in Virginia? Campaign Coordinators Liz and Jeff Bowles would be glad to have your help. Contact them at liz_bowles@hotmail.com, or 540-473-3510.

Fairfax County LP Committees

Were you wondering who serves on various FCLP committees? Glad you asked, here is a list – and if you are interested in helping, please contact Chairman Dana Johansen at Fairfaxlp@lpva.com or 703-960-9120.

County Committee:

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Marianne Volpe

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Renewing your membership is easy, and during this important Presidential campaign year, you won't want to miss news about the campaign and your party. You can renew your membership by calling the National office, 202-333-0008, ext. 231, or at the website, <http://www.lp.org/members/>. If you are ready to join us, just go to the National website, <http://www.lp.org/action/join.php>, or call Marianne Volpe to request a membership form at 703-960-2973.

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NOVA MONTHLY DINNER PARTY!

Every month the Northern Virginia Libertarians have a pot-luck dinner at someone's home, and you are invited. The recent hosts of these parties are Marta and Nat Howard, Chuck Eby and Judy Herzog, and Fred Childress and Marcia Strasel. This is a great way to get together with other Libertarians and share laughs and good conversation in a relaxing environment.

The next dinner/pool party is 7:00 p.m (5:00 p.m. is you would like to swim!), Saturday, October 16, at Chuck Eby and Judy Herzog's house, 4572 Fair Valley Dr., Fairfax. This is a "pot luck" dinner, so all you need to do is bring a dish of your favorite fare, something you would be proud to share with others, and come casual. If you cannot think of something to bring, just call Chuck at 703-255-8767 for menu suggestions. If you have kids, please bring them – and please help with a bit of "kid watch."

Would you like to host a party at your home, community center, or friend's home? Please contact Marianne at 703-960-2973, or by email at mvolpe@starpower.net – the more hosts, the better.

