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Victory!

Ron Paul Wins Primary Runoff

Standing before jubilant supporters from around the 14th District, Republican congressional candidate Ron Paul of Surfside, TX, accepted his party's nomination on April 9.

"Our victory tonight was an affirmation of the fact that grassroots Republicans are more concerned with ideals and issues than rhetoric," he said. "I accept this as a victory for all of us who believe America can be great when we shrug off the liberal, socialist agenda and return to the conservative values upon which our nation's Constitution was based."

Paul, the former Texas congressman and chairman of the Republican Liberty Caucus, defeated incumbent U.S. Rep. Greg Laughlin with nearly 54 percent of the vote. It was only the second time in 10 years that an incumbent has lost a primary race.

Income Tax Foe Joins RLC Advisory Board

If the newest member of the Republican Liberty Caucus has his way, April 15 will be just another pretty spring day.

U.S. Rep. Sam Johnson (R-TX), of the north Dallas suburbs, first caught the attention of the RLC leadership when he recently introduced a constitutional amendment which would repeal the 16th amendment and abolish the income tax. Hearing on his bill have already begun in the Ways and Means Committee.

On May 10, Johnson accepted the RLC's invitation to join its Advisory Board at a meeting with RLC Chairman Clifford Thies, RLC Congressional Liaison Gregory Koontz, RLC founder Eric Rittberg and Executive Director Mike Griffin. Rep. Johnson's legislative director, Mike Hanson, was also present.

Johnson is the Advisory Board's 11th Congressional member. Johnson earned a 1996 Liberty Index of 73, which included a respectable civil liberties rating of 68. In 1995, Johnson scored a solid rating of 80.

The Texan has demonstrated his courage in several ways which make him a fine addition to the RLC. Serving in Vietnam, he was captured by the North Vietnamese and was held as one of the longest-term prisoners of war. However, his devotion to individual liberty was not compromised when he voted, last year, to repeal the Selective Service Registration System.

Johnson can be reached at 1030 Longworth HOB, Washington, DC 20515 or samtx03@hr.house.gov.



Congressional candidate Ron Paul talks with voters in the final days of his successful primary campaign.

Paul will now face Democrat Charles "Lefty" Morris in the general election in November.

Paul's win came despite endorsements of his opponent by Gov. George Bush Jr., Newt Gingrich and Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison and Phil Gramm. Near the end of the campaign, Laughlin raised almost \$50,000 from fellow House Republicans.

A Laughlin win was important to the Republican establishment since Congressional leaders had convinced Laughlin, formerly a Democrat, to switch parties with much fanfare.

Paul's win has been credited to several factors, each pregnant with lessons for other libertarian Republican candidates:

• Libertarian ideas appeal to anti-government sentiment. Paul represents a political philosophy that has maneuvered its way into the American mainstream - that individuals have inalienable rights and that government is not the solution to America's ills. The spirit of the 1994 elections is still alive in Texas' 14th District.

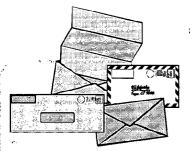
Austin Furse, a former White House aide to George Bush, summed up the election: "A campaign of ideas defeated a campaign of organization."

• The insincerity of Rep. Laughlin's party switching. When Paul switched from being a Republican to a Libertarian in 1986 and then ran for president under that banner, his philosophy did not change. Then, abandoning his third party flirtations, he returned to the GOP, his message was still unchanged.

Laughlin, however, tried to convince voters that in his change

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Leftward, Ho!

Editor:

I want to caution the Republican Liberty Caucus to resist getting too carried away in the rightward direction.

There is a great tendency among us - and I'm just as guilty as anyone else - to follow this path of least resistance. In the Republican sweep of 1994, I along with you moved the RLC rightward because of the opportunities that existed on that front. It was the right move.

But now I believe there's an increasing opportunity back on the socially tolerant GOP front.

I saw the most thrilling thing the other day on MTV. During a segment of *The Week in Rock* they had a long segment about the current political environment and clarifying what the labels "liberal" and "conservative" mean.

Halfway through the program they basically concluded that young people of Generation X are neither liberal nor conservative, but rather libertarian.

They noted that youth had anxieties about big government, the deficit, taxes and social security, yet were opposed to the Religious Right's social agenda, tolerant of homosexuals, pro-choice and environmentally conscious.

They even had interviews with people in their 20s that said, in effect, "well, I guess I'm kinda libertarian because I'm liberal on social matters but conservative on economics."

The primary opportunity for the RLC is still on the right, but we should be very mindful of the fact that there is also a great opportunity for those among us who are culturally liberal but don't buy into big government.

Eric Rittberg, RLC Founder Houston, TX

RNC Recognizes RLC Website

The Republican National Committee web page (http://www.rnc.org) now provides a link to the RLC web page - and vice versa.

Gordon Mohr, RLC's web site coordinator, is also working on a web page that would include links to all known libertarian Republican candidates for public office.

To list a candidate, please write Mike Griffin at the RLC Administrative Office, 611 Pennsylvania Ave. S.E. #370, Washington DC 20003 or call (202) 546-8749. Griffin can be reached via e-mail at 76025.1244@compuserve.com.

Christians, Libertarians Natural Allies

Editor:

The negative response to Clifford Thies' analysis of the Contract with the American Family and its sponsor, the Christian Coalition, was surprising, and sadly indicative of the kind of philosophical xenophobia that perpetually restrains the libertarian movement.

No political movement exists in a vacuum. Coalition building—working with like-minded groups on areas of common ground—is essential to winning the battle of elections and the war of ideas.

Evangelicals and libertarians are natural allies. Classical liberalism draws heavily on the Judeo-Christian values of tolerance ("Judge not lest..." or "Do unto others..."), individual responsibility ("The Lord helps those who help themselves..."), self-reliance ("Give a man a fish..."), etc.

We share beliefs about lower taxes, preserving the right to keep and bear arms, ending racial preferences, ending the welfare state and curtailing the size and intrusiveness of government.

However, Peter Crumbine singles out the most divisive of issues, abortion, to illustrate his disagreement with Thies. A look at the RLC Advisory Board proves we should not sacrifice the RLC's growth for a pro-abortion shibboleth.

Adam Steven Fogerson Chico, CA

Weld No Libertarian

Editor:

As a Massachusetts resident and longtime libertarian Republican, I would like to attempt to disabuse you of the notion that Bill Weld is a libertarian.

While I do not doubt that Weld has some gut libertarian instincts, his performance in the office of governor has been long on rhetoric but very short on performance - and lately, short on libertarian rhetoric too.

Most libertarians I know in Massachusetts regard Weld as little more than a typical political opportunist who latched on to the libertarian label to distinguish himself from social conservative Republicans who do not sell well to suburban voters.

You may be interested to know that the governor's biggest initiative this year has been to secure legislative support for a taxpayer-subsidized convention center/football stadium. While Weld did cut the state budget his first year in office when forced to due to a budgetary crisis, since then he has resumed substantial budget increases. His judicial appointees with a few notable exceptions are indistinguishable from those of Mike Dukakis.

One of the few issues Weld has taken a firm stand on is preserving all punitive anti-drug laws - even vetoing a bill to allow medicinal use of marijuana to relieve nausea for chemotherapy patients!

Anthony R. Conte Winchester, MA

Money Talks

RLC's Message Being Heard Loud and Clear

In 1996, candidate

assistance by RLC's PAC

will top the \$10,000 mark

for the first time.

by Mike Holmes

The affiliated political action committee of the RLC, the Republican Liberty Federal Campaign Fund, is off to a record-breaking pace thus far in 1996.

Through early May, the PAC has raised more money - over

\$8,200 - than it raised in any year since its inception in May 1992.

Of the \$8,266 raised this year, over \$7,500 has been passed on to state and federal candidates. In 1992, of the \$8,051 raised, \$6,150 went to candidates; in 1994, of \$7,333 raised \$5,200 went to libertarian Republican campaigns.

Based on the results so far, candidate assistance will likely top the \$10,000 mark for the first time ever during 1996. Of the over 4,000 PACs in existence at the end of 1995, according to the FEC, the RLFCF is the only one in the country which is exclusively devoted to assisting libertarian-oriented Republicans at both the state and federal levels.

Due to his four terms as the nation's leading libertarian Republican congressman and his temporary stint to serve as interim RLC chair in 1995 after Roger MacBride's death, the largest share of RLFCF funds spent this year has gone to Texas District 14 contender Dr. Ron Paul, who served in Congress from 1976 through 1984. Paul's effort spent more than a million dollars to unseat incumbent former Democrat-turned-Republican Greg Laughin in the March primary battle and April 9 run off victory (see story on page 1).

He now faces Democrat trial attorney Charles "Lefty" Morris. For the first time ever, the RLFCF contributed the maximum allowed to a candidate (\$5,000) in a federal election for the Paul primary campaign. Another \$1,000 was contributed towards the runoff election. The RLFCF was one of only two PACs which helped the Paul effort.

The RLFCF can contribute up to \$9,000 more to the Paul effort, under federal campaign finance law.

The congressman in the Texas 9th District, Steve Stockman, has received \$500 from the PAC so far, in appreciation for his tough principled stands which have earned him a major "bull'seye" from the AFL-CIO PACs and the DNC.

Stockman is an RLC Advisory Board member and recently agreed to sign a special fund-raising letter for the RLC.

RLC founder Eric Rittberg and RLC activist Forrest Aston attended a fund-raising reception for Stockman on May 18 in Houston, representing the RLFCF. Over 750 people, including Newt Gingrich, attended the event.

Arizona congressman J.D. Hayworth, facing a tough battle in the 6th district there, also held a Phoenix area \$250-per-person fund-raising reception on April 13 attended by RLFCF representative Scott Kirtley (see Activist News, page 7).

Kirtley was presented with a \$100 PAC contribution by the

RLFCF to assist with Kirtley's own Arizona state house primary bid, in a visit by RLFCF treasurer Mike Holmes to Tucson on May 15.

RLC Board member Mary Maas presented Washington's 2nd

CD congressman Jack Metcalf with a \$250 PAC contribution during a February Lincoln Day dinner in that northwestern Washington area district. Metcalf serves as head of the Congressional Liberty Caucus.

Birmingham City Councilman and Alabama U.S. Senate primary contender Dr. Jimmy Blake has received

\$350 from the RLFCF, in his outspoken bid for a June 4 victory for that state's open Senate seat.

On the state level, the RLFCF helped California's Ventura County GOP Assembly candidate (District 38) Tom McClintock garner 38 percent of the vote in his March primary victory in a crowded six-way race.

McClintock will face a Democrat and a Natural Law candidate this fall. The RLFCF has helped McClintock in two prior California races and the former assemblyman has been politically active as a well respected tax fighter working for the Claremont Institute and other state policy groups. Our PAC contributed \$250 to his effort.

The RLFCF also contributed \$100 to Gil Ferguson's unsuccessful bid to garner the state senate primary seat in California's District 35.

For the first time ever, the RLFCF had contributions returned. Following the RLC's official endorsement of Steve Forbes in the

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presidential primary contest, following his Delaware victory, the RLFCF sent his campaign \$250 as a token of support.

(The RLC also officially noted that it would support "whoever is nominated by the party" in the fall election.)

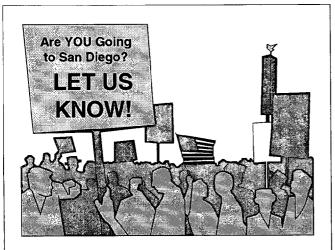
The check was returned by the Forbes campaign with a note of thanks, but it said that the multimillionaire publisher's campaign wasn't accepting funds from political action committees.

A check sent to Pennsylvania's 8th District congressional primary challenger Tom Lingenfeldter in April was also returned. Again, the candidate decided not to accept PAC funds. Lingenfeldter garnered 40 percent to incumbent Jim Greenwood's 60 percent in the April 23 Bucks County contest. As a silver lining, Lingenfeldter won election to the state GOP Committee, which also puts him on the Bucks County Executive Committee.

Under consideration are the Gale Norton (CO), John Cuddy (AK), Jim Miller (VA), Tom Post (RI) and Dick Zimmer (NJ) U.S. Senate bids. Congressional candidates Rich Sybert (CA), Frank Riggs (CA) and Helen Chenoweth (ID) are also on the PAC list.

"The importance of our PAC can't be overestimated," noted RLC chairman Clifford Thies. "These contributions are the political muscle of our overall effort to influence the Republican Party. These candidates are on the front lines of the great political battle in which we are engaged, and without our help, our views will not prevail in the election marketplace."

The RLFCF sponsors a monthly pledge program as well as regular fund-raising mailings. Contributions (from individuals only, as per federal law) can be sent to: RLFCF, 10878 Westheimer #395, Houston, TX 77042.



The RLC is planning *now* to make our presence felt at the Republican National Convention Aug. 12-15.

If you are planning to attend, we would like to hear from you. Whether to volunteer for RLC projects or just socialize with some fellow libertarian Republicans, we hope you'll let us know your plans. Call or e-mail Mike Griffin at the RLC Washington office.

For information on the convention, write GOP Convention, 750 B Street #1400, San Diego, CA 92101 or call (612) 615-1996.



Rethinking the Drug War

Republican Liberty Senior Editor Mike Holmes is interviewed on April 17 by Dallas ABC affiliate WFAA reporter Alan Berg for a special aired in May reexamining drug prohibition. Congressional candidate Ron Paul was also interviewed for the program.

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from a Democrat to Republican, he was returning to his conservative roots rather than simply reacting to the increase in Republican registrations. But the Wall Street Journal noted that "In 1994, the former trial lawyer supported Clinton 77 percent of the time." The voters weren't fooled. After Laughlin's loss, Gov. Bush said "Clearly, he hadn't made the case philosophically of why he switched. Evidently, it must have looked opportunistic."

• The successful wooing of the Religious Right. Conservative Christians are a major force in this largely rural district and Paul was successful in winning their support. Paul is a Christian and a respected obstetrician and his call for personal responsibility and morality rang true with voters.

"Ron Paul's victory shows there is no necessary contradiction between the Republican Party's libertarian, conservative and religious wings," said RLC Chairman Clifford Thies. "Moral behavior doesn't need to be propped up by government subsidies."

• Fund-raising abilities and personable campaign style. The Paul campaign was a record-breaker in that Paul - a primary challenger - raised over \$1 million for his campaign. Paul is an experienced campaigner and rode his bicycle door to door through the neighborhoods of his district.

• The ineffectiveness of Laughlin's mudslinging campaign. In the final days of the campaign, Laughlin resorted to pushpolls and other devices suggesting that Paul advocated gambling, prostitution and drug use. While Paul is opposed to federal drug prohibition, Laughlin was unable to paint Paul as a dangerous hedonist. Too many voters had met Paul personally to swallow Laughlin's "crazy and dangerous" label.

Media Notes

Griffin: GOP Split a Crack, Not A Canyon

Insight magazine wondered in its March 25 issue whether internecine warfare among front-runners in the presidential primaries would fracture party unity.

In "Republican Revolution Begins to Eat Its Own," a political fissure was noted between the social and fiscal conservatives in the GOP.

RLC Executive Director Mike Griffin downplayed the split:

"'I have talked to social conservatives and they are a lot more tolerant than you think,' says Mike Griffin, chairman [sic] of the Republican Liberty Caucus, a GOP libertarian group.

"They will remain loyal, he says, 'as long as they believe that a secular conservative or libertarian candidate will respect their beliefs and will not try to impose some sort of government mandates on them."

Griffin also was quoted as supporting Steve Forbes because he "is honest, and he has presented himself as dedicated to some principles that I think are going to draw many factions together.

"His message on economics, growth, free enterprise - I think that's going to be the glue that's going to hold the GOP together," Griffin said.

Surprise, Surprise!

In a sense it is not news at all, but striking nonetheless.
In a recent Roper Poll, 89 percent of Washington reporters

and 60 percent of editors voted for Bill Clinton in 1992. Compare this to the 43 percent of American voters who did so.

The poll, in which almost 250 Washington reporters and editors were contacted between November 1995 and January 1996, provided other interesting, if obvious, information.

A full 91 percent of reporters and 67 percent of editors described themselves as liberal or moderate. Of the reporters, 61 percent described themselves as liberal. Republicans made up only 4 percent of the reporters and 14 percent of the editors.

More frightening is that no less than 96 percent of reporters polled agreed "strongly" or "somewhat" with the statement: "Our role is to educate the public."

Candidate News

On March 25, the National Republican Senatorial Committee hosted a reception for Alabama U.S. Senate candidate Jimmy Blake. Blake, a former Libertarian Party activist and Birmingham city council member, met with many of Washington's major PACs. Television ads are now running in selected markets.

Of the three Arizona congressional members on the RLC Advisory Board (Shadegg, Solomon and Hayworth), the 6th CD battle will be the toughest for the GOP incumbent. J.D. Hayworth faces a newly transplanted Tennessean fresh from Vice President Gore's staff. The Democrat challenger moved to Arizona specifically for the race and Hayworth's seat is one of several targeted by the Democratic National Committee this year.

RLC activist Scott Kirtley is a primary contender in District 13 (northeast and central Tucson) for one of two open GOP seats on Sept. 10. Kirtley is a prep school Spanish teacher and former federal civil rights investigator who most recently served on the staff of Republican Gov. Symington. He has a degree in political science, is an Army veteran and also interned in Arizona congressman Jim Kolbe's office. The district is one of the most competitive in the state because of its even split between Democrats and Republicans. As an educator, his campaign will focus on education issues, the transfer of power from Washington to Arizona and "reducing costs of government to the taxpayer." Serving as campaign manager is RLC activist Bryan Elliot. The campaign can be contacted at: The Committee to Elect Scott Kirtley, P.O. Box 31952, Tucson, AZ 85751, (520) 749-6532, e-mail bryneli@starnet.com.

RLC Advisory Board member and former California state legislator Tom McClintock won the Republican primary in the 38th state assembly district with 37.64 percent in a six-person race.

Katherine Smith lost in her primary bid to unseat U.S. Rep. Bob Dornan. Smith, an RLC member, received 28.4 percent in a three-way race. Smith was an instigator of the Hoover Institution's resolution calling for reform of federal drug policies.

Up-and-coming libertarian Republican Rep. Chris Cox (R-CA)

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Notable Quote

"Over the last 75 years or so, many people have come to accept the lie that it's OK to steal as long as someone claims it's for a good cause. Politicians have become experts at taking money from all of us to benefit their own narrow interests. That's wrong, and it's time we took away the power we've allowed them to have.

"We have to reassert the moral principle that people are responsible for themselves and have no legal or moral claim on that which is earned by other people. We're never going to have real change until people accept - and politicians are forced to accept - the principle that government is not the answer to our problems."

-Jimmy Blake, U.S. Senate Candidate in Alabama

Koontz to Lead Maryland, Take on Capitol Hill

Gregory Koontz of Baltimore has signed on as the RLC's Congressional Liaison and Maryland State Coordinator.

Koontz's professional background makes him ideal for both roles. Although he lives in Baltimore, he commutes to Washington, DC, weekly and will have no problem fulfilling his role as Congressional liaison.

Koontz was assistant chief counsel for environmental and transportation policy in the Small Business Administration where he analyzed the impact of regulation and legislation on small business. He also served as strategic research analyst at the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

Koontz was an intern for the Competitive Enterprise Institute and an intern for then-Congressman Ron Paul in 1983.

His duties for the RLC will include:

- Identifying prospective legislators to join the RLC Advisory Board,
- Analyzing legislation and recommending bills worthy of RLC endorsement, and
- Creating a systematic plan for communicating with the U.S. Congress.

In his first official duty, Koontz, along with RLC Executive Director Mike Griffin, met with Rep. Scott McInnis of Grand Junction, CO, to discuss the RLC.

Koontz can be reached at 3501 St. Paul Street, Apt. 736, Baltimore, MD 21218. His telephone number is (410) 235-5157 and his e-mail address is LiblovGreg@aol.com

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is being touted by George Will and others as a possible choice for Dole's vice president.

RLC Advisory Board member and U.S. Rep. Brian Bilbray has signed on to Barney Franks' HR 2618, which would lift the research ban on medical uses of marijuana.

RLCers Adam Fogerson and Ed Rowen are making plans to go to the Republican National Convention in San Diego in August.

In Colorado, at least seven RLCers are active in the Gail Norton U.S. Senate primary campaign for the open Hank Brown seat. Norton is the current state attorney general and a former state chair of the Colorado Libertarian Party. RLCers Eric Field, Andrew Bantham and Clair Diaz are Norton delegates to the upcoming state GOP convention.

State Sen. Bob Schaffer is in a close primary race for a vacant

north Colorado congressional seat. Schaffer is endorsed by Colorado RLC chair Eric Field as "the most limited-government member of the Colorado State Senate."

RLC Advisory Board member Tom Feeney of Florida, 1994 running mate of gubernatorial candidate Jeb Bush, was elected to the Florida House in May. Feeney is routinely described by the press as

a libertarian Republican.

RLC activist Jay Taylor of Gainesville, **Georgia**, is running for the state assembly.

According to ballot access expert Richard Winger, the **South Dakota** Libertarian Party has made an interesting deal with the GOP. The LP will not run any legislative or Congressional candidates this year, and will only be on for president. In exchange, the South Dakota Republican Party will fund the best four LP candidates from the last election to run for the legislature as Republicans.

Longtime Utah Libertarian Party activist Will Marshall is taking advantage of a state law that permitted him to file for the State Senate District 27 seat on both the LP and GOP ballots for the June 25 primaries. Marshall is from Big Water, a town which once boasted more LP officeholders than anywhere else in the country. But things have changed. Marshall told *Republican Liberty* that "all the Libertarians in Big Water have become Republicans." The RLC's PAC, RLFCF, sent Marshall a \$100 contribution.

RLC Executive Director Mike Griffin met with Massachusetts Gov. Bill Weld on April 23 at a reception held in his honor in **Washington**, **DC**. He also met with Weld's polling consultant who expressed an interest in the RLC. Weld is challenging John Kerry for a U.S. Senate seat.

Washington State Coordinator Mary Maas is Island County coordinator for gubernatorial candidate and small-business advocate Nona Brazier.

Notable Quote

Through the Buchananite and Clintonian grey skies, you can still catch a glimpse of Reagan's "city on a hill" beaming in the distance. Perhaps Dole, in his struggles with the vision thing, should watch some old footage of the Great Communicator for directions to this special place.

Remember this, from Reagan's farewell address:

"I've spoken of the shining city all my political life; but Idon't know if I ever quite communicated what I saw when I said it.

"But in my mind it was a tall, proud city built on rocks stronger than oceans, windswept, God-blessed, and teeming with people of all kinds living in harmony and peace, a city with free ports that hummed with commerce and creativity. And if there had to be city walls, the walls had doors and the doors were open to anyone with the will and the heart to get here. That's how I saw it and see it still."

Activist News



Scott Kirtley

Arizona RLC activist and Congressional candidate Scott Kirtley of Tucson attended a gala fund-raising reception for that state's 6th District congressman J.D. Hayworth on April 13 as a guest representing the RLC's political action committee, the Republican Liberty Federal Campaign Fund.

Over 100 attendees were present at the elegant Paradise Valley home including several other of the state's GOP congressmen.

Highlighting the \$250-per-head fund-raising event was an inspired speech by Hayworth to the gathering, which Kirtley described as "a rousing, vibrant, great speech."

The Colorado RLC affiliate, the Freedom Republicans, report that Steve Curtis, president and co-director of RLC Colorado, was elected chairman of Denver County Republicans.

RLCers Eric Field, Andrew Bantham and Clair Diaz are Gail Norton for Senate delegates to the upcoming state GOP convention.

RLC State Liaison Tom Walls of Florida was a delegate at the Young Republicans Convention May 18 and distributed RLC brochures and newsletters. Walls met with Bob Dole briefly and gave him a copy of Republican Liberty to "read on the plane."

RLC National Secretary Laura Kotelman is a delegate to the Illinois GOP convention June 14-15.

In Bethesda, Maryland, RLC activist Sue Blevins was hired by Grover Norquist of Americans for Tax Reform in the unsuccessful effort to add a Medical Savings Accounts provision to the Senate version of the Kassebaum/Kennedy bill which would reform Medicare. Blevins contacted the RLC and state affiliates and activists were alerted via phone and e-mail.

RLC member Matt Taylor of New Jersey will be attending the GOP's presidential nominating convention in San Diego.

Gary Popkin, chairman of the New York RLC, was elected during the March New York primary as a Dole delegate for the San Diego convention.

Mary Maas, an RLC National Committee member and Washington State coordinator, was elected a delegate to the Washington State Republican Party Convention to be held May 31-June 1. A state committeeman suggested Maas join the convention's platform committee.

David and Mary Maas held a meeting to formalize the Washington State affiliate. Plans were also made to hold an educational meeting at Skagit Valley College to promote membership in the RLC.

The Republican Liberty Caucus invites you to its second national convention in Alexandria, VA, Dec. 13-15

Convention '96!



Members, family and friends are welcome to attend this year's RLC national convention at the Sheraton National Hotel in Alexandria, VA. The RLC is putting together a fun and stimulating weekend of receptions, speakers, meetings, panel discussions and a banquet dinner. Together we

will ge to know each other, share ideas and plan the future of the RLC.

To register, simply complete the form below and send it along with your registration fee to the national office.

A room rate of \$82 per evening (tax not included) for a single or a double is available when you mention you're with the Republican Liberty Caucus. (Suites are also available.) Reservations can be made through the Sheraton's toll free number 1-800-468-9090.

We hope you'll join us!

Convention '96! Fee Schedule

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Early Bonanza (prior to 10/15/96)	\$135
Bonanza (after 12/6/96)	\$150
Early One-Day Special (prior to 10/15/96)	\$75
One-Day Special (after 12/6/96)	\$90
Registration Only	\$15

The Bonanza rates include all five meal events. The One-Day Special rates only include the luncheon and banquet dinner on Saturday

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