



Reestablishing the Constitutional Principles of the Founding Fathers

- State Convention May 22, 2004.
- Peroutka selects running mate.
- Constitution Party is now 3rd largest.

Utah Conservatives Set Party Convention Date

The Constitution Party of Utah will hold its state convention on Saturday, May 22. The meeting will be open to the public and will be held in the County Commission Chambers of the Salt Lake County Complex at 2001 South State Street in Salt Lake City. Registration of voting delegates will be from 8:00 to 9:00 AM after which time the convention will begin.

The convention will follow traditional American nominating convention protocol. All candidates who have filed for national, state or local office under the Constitution Party banner will be introduced. In races where more than one party member is seeking to represent the Constitution Party, balloting will take place to determine which of those candidates will represent the party on the November ballot.

All members of the Constitution Party are encouraged to attend this historic event (historic because it's the party's first pre-election convention), and Chairman Fluckiger further urges member attendees to bring friends and neighbors to learn more about the party's core principles and meet the outstanding Constitution Party candidates seeking elective office.

This convention, unlike the much-ballyhooed Utah pre-election conventions of the Republicrats and Demogops, will not be full of hot air and backroom bargaining. Most important to both delegates and visitors is to see a roomful of honest candidates more concerned with correct principles than with political popularity.

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Peroutka Names Dr. Chuck Baldwin as Running Mate

In making the announcement Michael Peroutka stated, "For many years, Dr. Baldwin has been a host of the syndicated radio program "Chuck Baldwin Live" and has taught millions of Americans about the foundational principles of American Government. His cogent and concise analysis of cultural issues makes him highly qualified to assume this office.

"I am humbled by and grateful for his desire to join our campaign which will honor God, defend the family and restore the American Republic."

In accepting the vice presidential position with Peroutka, Dr. Baldwin said, "Only the

Constitution Party is willing to stand against runaway political correctness in preference to historic constitutional correctness. I will be proud to add my voice to the promotion and defense of such a party."

Dr. Baldwin is founder-pastor of the Crossroad Baptist Church, Pensacola, FL. In 1985, President Ronald Reagan recognized the church for its unusual growth and influence. Numerous prominent Americans including former Alabama Supreme Court Justice Roy Moore have delivered sermons from the church's pulpit. His radio show is regarded as perhaps the most influential voice in the Florida Panhandle for conservative Christian principles.

National Party News

As of the end of April, the Constitution Party gained ballot access in three more states. Those states are Alaska, Montana and South Dakota. Bringing the total to 16 states on which the Constitution Party will be on the ballot this November. Montana was required to get 5,000 signatures and South Dakota 8,364. Alaska was not a state in which the CP thought they would be able to get ballot position, but unexpected surprise came in March.

The Alaska Independence Party which is the third largest party in Alaska and which has never run a presidential candidate before held their convention and nominated Michael Peroutka as their presidential candidate. They had searched out the Constitution Party candidate on their own

and liked what he stood for and therefore nominated him. National Chairman of the CP, James Clymer said that after checking out the platform of the Alaska Independence Party he felt good about it and therefore Peroutka has accepted the nomination.

Also as of the end of April two more states have completed their ballot petition drive and awaiting official notification for their respective states. Those three states are New Hampshire and Maryland. That will bring the total of ballot position states to 18 for the CP. At this point in time only the Libertarian (27 states) and the Green Party (23) have more states with ballot position. New Mexico is near completion of their ballot petition drive.

"Bush has virtually ensured his own defeat in Pennsylvania."

Bush Drives more Conservatives from the Republican Party in Pennsylvania GOP Primary

For at least the third time in his presidency, President Bush has caused consternation among conservatives in the Republican Party. The first time was his effort to help defeat conservative Sen. Bob Smith in his reelection bid for the U.S. Senate in New Hampshire followed by his success in defeating another conservative candidate for the U. S. Senate in South Carolina.

However, neither of those races compared to Bush's efforts to defeat Rep Toomey in his bid to unseat Senator Arlen Specter. Many view Specter as the most far left Republican in the U. S. Senate. Senator Specter is very pro abortion, and led the effort to stop Robert Bork from becoming a U.S. Supreme Court justice, and also voted for the far-left Liberal Ruth Bader Ginsburg to become a justice in the same high court. He also refused to vote for the impeachment of Bill Clinton. In addition to all this, he opposed giving the Boy Scouts access to schools and federal buildings unless they agreed to allow homosexuals to be scout leaders. The list goes on and on.

Not any of the established Republican Party leaders in Pennsylvania would support Toomey, including Senator Rick Santorum, who is very pro-life. Bush actively campaigned for Specter and against Rep Toomey. As the Pennsylvania primary election day approached it became clear

that Toomey could possibly upset Specter. President Bush along with other liberal republicans pulled out all the stops in an effort to defeat Toomey. Bush referred to Specter as moderate when he is in fact far from even being close to being moderate. He is right next to Senator Kennedy in his liberal voting record.

In spite of all the heavy campaigning, Toomey lost the primary battle 51% to 49% in a race in which more than one million votes were cast. In the minds of some voters, Bush's efforts to defeat Rep Toomey has so offended the rank and file conservative Republicans that Bush has virtually ensured his own defeat in Pennsylvania in the fall election and yet he seems totally oblivious to it.

More and more conservatives are beginning to bolt from the party. For example in Lancaster County's county commission race last November, the 39 townships that Bush carried against Gore all voted for the Constitution Party Candidate James Clymer. At least 14 local GOP leaders either resigned or were forced to resign their positions in that race because of their support for Clymer. Michael Peroutka, the Constitution Party Presidential Candidate from Maryland, is gaining so much support in some key states that even Fox News interviewed him recently and broadcast the interview nationwide.

...continued State Convention

The state convention keynote speaker, James Clymer, is a dynamic and capable leader. When Utah Constitution Party leaders started planning this year's state convention to ratify party candidates for the November General Election, it was critically important to choose a keynote speaker who would best express Constitution Party ideals of honesty, integrity and an unyielding resolve to return the United States of America to the basic principles of the Constitution.

Unfortunately, neither Bill nor Hillary Clinton were interested.

However, Mr. James Clymer, National Chairman of the Constitution Party And considered by many as a national authority on the U.S. Constitution, was interested and will be the convention's keynote speaker. Mr. Clymer, best known nationally as the articulate official party spokesman for the past several years, has been instrumental in helping Utah's true-conservative population organize the Constitution Party of Utah and develop strategies for gaining coveted ballot position.

Mr. Clymer was handpicked four years ago by Mr. Howard Phillips, the founder and first national chairman of the Constitution Party (originally called the U.S. Taxpayers Party), to succeed him and to continue to build the party's influence and national voting power.

Clymer is a prominent Pennsylvania attorney

and respected Constitution scholar. He has dynamically pursued Phillips' original goal of educating concerned citizens about the inspired Christian foundation of our nation and of the Constitution so that voters can make informed choices at the ballot box, and when these candidates are sworn into office there will be an educated voting population who will hold them to their oath of office.

In addition to serving as the party's national chairman and maintaining a successful local law practice, he ran for Lancaster (PA) County Commissioner in 2003, narrowly losing the election to a liberal Democrat candidate. Exit polls showed him leading and he carried 39 of the 60 townships in Lancaster County, but the 21 more populous counties where he lost were traditionally liberal. Even in losing he scored solidly among voters, the local media and even his opponents, for his fact based and gentlemanly run campaign. This year he is running for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Senator Arlen Specter, probably the most liberal GOP senator in the United States Senate.

It was in part because of Clymer's outstanding showing in his local race that the Fox News Network interviewed Michael Peroutka, the CP Presidential candidate and telecast portions of that interview on the evening news through Fox's nationwide chain of TV stations.

"Elect to have the newsletters sent to you via e-mail."

Electronic Newsletter now available

The cost of printing and mailing newsletters is very large, so a new option is available for those who would like their donations put to a better use than postage.

The newsletter of the Constitution Party of Utah is now available via the Internet! To join the distribution list, simply visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CPUtahNews>

From there, you can elect to have the newsletters sent to you via e-mail as they are

published, or view them on-line. This will also speed up delivery, as you will receive the newsletter in your e-mail box within minutes, as opposed to days with delivery by mail.

Please take a minute to sign up now, and also send an e-mail to frankf@cputah.org if you would like to stop receiving the newsletter by mail. This will allow the funds usually designated for the newsletter to be used in other areas, such as supporting candidates.

*“Constitution Party will
be on the ballot in at
least 40 states.”*

Guess What Political Party is Now Nation's 3rd Largest?

Thanks both to Howard Phillips for originally articulating the purpose and goals of the Constitution Party, and to James Clymer for expanding the voter base of the party over the past four years, the Constitution Party will be on the November 2004 General Election ballot in at least 40 states. According to Richard Winger, editor of Ballot Access News, the Party is now the third largest party in the nation in terms of registered voters. That growth now places it ahead of the longer organized Libertarian Party, which is the only other truly conservative American political party, and far ahead of the several noisy, super-liberal political parties, which are big on rhetoric but are weak at the ballot box.

Considering that the Constitution Party was only organized in 1992, that speaks volumes for the skills and foresight of its founders

and--more importantly--for the rising discontent of American taxpayers with the Democratic and Republican Parties and their hollow promises of reform and fiscal responsibility.

State Chairman Fluckiger notes that Mr. Clymer's visit to Utah will include strategy meetings to bring ousted Alabama Supreme Court Justice Roy Moore ("The Ten Commandments should remain at the Alabama Supreme Courthouse") and Constitution Party Presidential candidate Michael Peroutka to Utah for speaking engagements prior to the November election. Peroutka and Moore are currently touring the country to speak to conservative voters about their plans for rebuilding the nation's sagging economy and trimming both waste and size of the federal government.

Judge Roy Moore and James Clymer to Be Interviewed on K-TALK Radio

National Constitution Party Chairman James Clymer will be interview on K-TALK radio 630 on the AM dial on May 19th. Barbara Jean will be the host and will interview him from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM. Mr. Clymer made the head lines in several Pennsylvania Newspapers last November when he nearly won a county commission seat in Lancaster County. In the final few days of the race, both the Republicans and Democrats made an all out effort to defeat him. In the end, Clymer was narrowly defeated, but won wide recognition for his campaign efforts. He

carried 39 of the 60 townships in his race, but did not carry them by a large enough margin to offset the heavily democratic population in the remaining 21 townships of the county.

Under his leadership as chairman of the Constitution the party has made significant gains and is now the third largest political party in the nations in terms of registered voters. The Green Party is fourth and the Libertarian is now ranked fifth in terms of registered voters.

New CP County Officers Elected:

Davis County:

Chairman: Jorgina Hancock, Bountiful; Vice
Chairman: Thomas Rodgers, Bountiful;
Secretary/Treasurer: Sandy Browning,
Clearfield

Weber County:

Chairman: Reed Mackley, North Ogden;
Vice Chairman: Cathy McDonald, Roy

Wasatch County:

Chairman: Doug Thompson, Heber; Vice
Chairman: Bob Gerber, Wallsburg

Utah County:

Chairman: Ed McGarr, Lindon; Vice
Chairman: Stephen Saunders;
Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Gibbs

Constitution Party Ranked Third in Number of Candidates Filing for Office

The Constitution Party made news on March 17, 2004. That was the last date candidates could file for office in Utah for the November General Election. When the magic hour of 5:00 PM struck, the state tally showed that the Constitution Party came in third behind the Democratic and Republican Parties. The Constitution Party had 33 candidates file for state offices compared with 80 for the Democrats and 176 for the Republicans. The Libertarian Party came in fourth with 29 state candidates. Needless to say, the party leaders were pleased with the results. These candidates include a U.S. Senate candidate, a U.S Congressional candidate for each of Utah's three congressional districts and one candidate who filed for governor. In addition, Constitution Party candidates filed for seven of the 15 Utah state senate seats up for election this year and 22 of the 75 Utah state house seats also up for election. Two candidates filed for county commission races, one in Iron County and the other in Sanpete County. More information on these candidates can be found on the CP web site at www.cputah.org.

The question is often asked why third parties file candidates for statewide office when it is so difficult to win such an election. The answer is that in order for a party to maintain ballot position, any given candidate who runs on the party ticket must gain 2% of the total votes cast for all congressional races in the general election. For this reason it is critical for a party to run such candidates. Even if a local candidate were to win a race, the total vote requirement would most likely still fall short of the vote total required by the state to maintain ballot position. At last year's state convention, the Constitution Party had tentatively voted to support Sheriff Richard Mack for the office of governor even though he chose to run on the Libertarian Party. The CP did not yet have ballot position and so had little leverage to argue that he run on the Constitution Party ticket. Gary Van Horn, a former member of the IAP agreed to run for the U.S. Senate seat since that was the only

other statewide race for which a Libertarian Party member had not already filed. The other statewide candidate will be the Presidential Candidate, Michael Peroutka. In a recent Deseret News/KSL poll done by Dan Jones and Associates, Gary Van Horn received 2% of the vote. The party leaders were very much encouraged by the poll results. They expect that both Van Horn and Peroutka will do much better than this in the November election. Maintaining ballot position is imperative for the continued growth of the party and the Constitution Party leaders are encouraging the party members to work hard for these two candidates.

A listing of all Constitution Party Candidates is below:

U. S. President: Michael Anthony Peroutka, Baltimore, MD

U. S Vice President: Chuck Baldwin, Pensacola, FL

U. S. Senate: Gary Van Horn, Sanpete County

U. S. Congressional District #1: Charles Johnston, Layton

U. S. Congressional District #2: Jeremy Peterson, Draper

U. S. Congressional District #3: Ron Winfield, Orem

Utah State Governor: Stoney Tiekko Fonua*

Utah State Senate races: (7 of the 15 seats up for election)

District #1: Elaine Jenkins, Salt Lake

District #6: Lori Newby, Salt Lake

District #13: Stephen Hemingway, Springville

District #23: Thomas Rodgers, Bountiful

District #24: Frank Crowther, Manti

District #27: William P. Sharp, Price

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The Constitution Party has the third largest number of registered candidates in Utah.

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District #29: Philip Jensen, St George

Utah State House races: (22 of 75 up for election)

District #2: Tom Edwards, Brigham City

District #8: Johnathan Butt, Ogden

District #13: Kevin Oliver, Syracuse

District #16: Sheryl Fluckiger, Layton

District #19: Reldon White, Bountiful

District #20: Jorgina Hancock, Bountiful

District #21: Katie Petersen, Tooele

District #22: James Curneal, West Valley

District # 25: Jack Gray and Joshua Bennett, Salt Lake City

District #29: Susan Kaye Sorensen, West Valley City

District #44: Bruce Bangerter, Murray

District #51: Michael Richards, Salt Lake City

District #52: Arden White, Riverton

District #54: Douglas Thompson, Heber City

District #55: Dale Flake, Vernal

District #58: Ed McGar, Lindon

District #68: Benton Peterson, Manti

District #70: Jerry Jensen, Gunnison and Bob A. Sharp, Anna Belle (Richfield)

County Commissioners:

Iron County: Glen Anderson

Sanpete County: Grant Petersen

* Although Stoney Fonua did file for governor on the CP, the party had earlier voted to support Richard Mack who is running on the LP. Delegates at the convention will make the final determination.

The Constitution Party: New Conscience of Conservative America

David Alan Black

Can the Constitution Party's candidate win this year's presidential election? Many people say that's impossible. I disagree.

In the first place, the party's message of "God, Family, Republic" is resonating more and more with voters who are disenchanted with both the Democrats and the Republicans. Which other national party takes a consistent stand both *for* the U.S. Constitution and *against* such unconstitutional actions as President Bush's undeclared "wars," his failure to ban RU-486 or to speak out against abortion, his "compassionate" policies toward illegal immigration, and his abhorrent treatment of civil liberties through the misnamed Patriot Act?

Moreover, the Constitution Party is already the nation's third largest political party in

terms of actual voter registration. It has due-paying party members in nearly all 50 states. And, I predict, it will continue to grow as the election gets closer, due to the fact that other third-party alternatives are far fewer than four years ago. As Howard Phillips, founder of the Constitution Party, has noted, this year there is no Perot or Buchanan or Keyes or Bauer to siphon off votes like there was in the 2000 presidential race.

In addition, third parties have steadily increased in size since Ross Perot ran for president in 1992. In the year 2000, a colossal four million voters said no to the Democrats and Republicans. That's twice as many voters as in 1996. And the third-party vote continues to climb at a rate of 4 percent, according to Richard Winger, publisher of *Ballot Access News*. Not surprisingly, the greatest increase is among young voters (four out of every ten), whose primary source for news is the Internet.

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Even on the issue of abortion, the Constitution Party appears to be gaining ground. Bush can no longer run and hide behind the façade of the Republican Party platform. His unbiblical and unconstitutional record on abortion and other social issues is now being reported on numerous conservative websites nationwide. These include stories written by leading conservatives such as Chuck Baldwin, Christopher Manion, Murray Sabrin, David Brownlow, Tom DeWeese, Devvy Kidd, Pat Buchanan, and Lee Shelton. Here is just a brief sampling:

- Bush Betrayed Pro-Lifers Again, But Did They Even Notice?
- Bush's Coming Betrayal of the Evangelicals
- George Bush—the Greater of Two Evils?
- George Bush's America: Expanding the Welfare-Warfare State
- Why Do Conservatives Continue To Support The Republican Party?
- Bush Promoting Homosexual Agenda: Do Conservatives Care?
- It Is Time Conservatives Honestly Face The Iraq War
- Crouch Down
- Is Bush a Conservative?
- The Faith-Based Initiative Is a Trojan Horse
- The Only Way to Stop Bush's Promotion of Illegals Invading

America

- That Un-America Patriot Act
- The Partial Birth Abortion Scam
- The Real Message of the Bush Amnesty
- The Assault Weapons Ban May Be Bush's Undoing
- The Department of Homeland Control

Finally, there can be no doubt whatsoever that the Constitution Party is drawing to its cause some of the best brains in the conservative movement. I believe this trend will continue. This should not be a surprise to anyone, as the party's platform is faithful to the founding document of the Republic—the Constitution of the United States as authored by the Founders of our nation.

Conservative Republicans who are sick of putting politics over principle and who realize that George W. Bush will never put an end to abortion or restore constitutional government will find a warm welcome in the Constitution Party—the new conscience of conservative America.

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Donations and Delegate Registration

*** Those individuals serving as delegates to the State Convention are requested to submit a registration donation of \$5.00. This helps cover the expenses of the convention. Others are invited to contribute as well, although admission is free.

Yes, I would like to help support the Constitution Party of Utah. Enclosed is my donation.

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Campaign Materials available

Campaign materials are becoming available for the various campaigns. Below are some sources for campaign materials so you can show your support!

Michael Peroutka has an online store with t-shirts, yard signs and brochures available at low costs. The website is <http://www.peroutka2004.com>, and just click on "Get Gear" to visit the online store.

Richard Mack also has an online store with numerous campaign materials available. Selections include t-shirts, mugs, and other items with the campaign logo. To visit his store, go to <http://www.mackforgovernor.com> and click on "Campaign Store."

The Constitution Party of Utah is also finalizing a yard-sign campaign, with details to be announced at the State Convention. Soon, you will be able to order yard-signs patterned after the Peroutka logo, directing observers to visit our website and obtain information about the candidates.

Please show your support for constitutional candidates by displaying yard-signs, bumper stickers, and other materials! Of course, the candidates need financial support as well to purchase mass media advertising and pay other expenses. Many candidates accept donations to help pay these expenses online at their websites. Visit cputah.org to obtain links to all the candidates currently having websites.

SLC Selected to host National Committee Next Year

National Constitution Party has selected Salt Lake City officials to host the Party's National Committee Meeting in April, 2005. This is the first time that the Party's National Committee will be held in Utah.

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