



# *Liberty News*

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## **From the Chair**

Hello, my name is Joe Johnson, and I am your new Chairman.



Those of you for whom I have an e-mail address, have already received an e-mail from me introducing myself, so some of this will be a repeat, but for those of you who have not heard, I took office in July, and have been busy ever since.

Upon accepting the office of Chairman, I pledged to double the dues-paying membership of the Boulder County Affiliate of the Libertarian Party, and increase the registered Libertarian voter ranks by 50%. A bold pledge indeed, but I believe it to be not only a worthy one, but an attainable one as well.

First a little bit about myself. I was born in New Jersey, and moved to Lafayette, Colorado in 1994. I have moved three times since, but each time within Lafayette, and I now reside just behind Centaurus high School.

While I had heard of the LP back in NJ, I considered myself to be a Republican until Bill Owens signed the un-SAFE initiative, and I renounced my Republican membership, and went looking for a political party, which believed in the Bill of Rights.

Needless to say, I found what I was looking for. What took me so long!? Since attending 'Success '99' (one month after joining the LP), I have run close to 30 LP outreach booths at local gun shows, fairs and festivals as an assistant to the outreach director for the state party. I was the official fund raising director for the 'Elect Glazer' campaign in 2000, and I currently write the column 'Activist's Corner' for the Colorado Liberty.

Since taking over as your Chairman, I have attended the successful fund-raiser held at 'As You Wish', which was hosted by Elizabeth Bennett (my fiancée), Walked the Lafayette 5K (or most of it), and the Louisville parade as Lady Liberty, and organized the LPBC outreach events at the Nederland 'Old timer's miners festival', and the Louisville fall fair.

As you can see, I am dedicated to making Boulder County the strongest Libertarian County affiliate in the state - dare I dream, the nation!

I will not stop working to grow not only the size of the Boulder County LP, but it's influence within state and county politics. Only when we become too large to ignore will we be 'in the game' on a regular basis, and for that I need your help. I will be working closely with the board to make sure that the LPBC is at as many outreach events as possible.

I am working with Tom Parker, your membership director to improve the efficiency with which we recruit new members from the registered Libertarian voters.

I will be working with your newsletter director and editor to improve your newsletter to make it the envy of the state.



John Larkin, your publicity director and I will be working to make sure that the press sees the LPBC every time it opens it's eyes.

I hope to bring in talent in the form of new members, to the board to create ongoing fund-raising, outreach, as well as candidate support through a campaigns director.

This and more will I do, if you will help me, for I cannot go it alone. I need the commitment from you, the rank & file membership, to grow this party.

As we will be greatly increasing our outreach events, we will need volunteers to man these booths. If you have worked an outreach booth in the past, than you already know, but if you have not, let me assure it is a good time, and you won't want to miss the opportunity to watch the look on someone's face as they discover for the first time that there is a political party that agrees with them. It's invigorating!

We will be doing more fund-raising - FUN fund-raising. I am not the type that likes to beg people for money. I will if I have to, but I prefer to give you

something in return for your money. Ron Bain once again held the annual bowl-a-thon, which raised close to \$1,000.

Elizabeth Bennett will be hosting more events at 'As you Wish' (ceramics), and we will be announcing many more such events soon. We will need your help through participation. We will also need help over the winter, as the outreach events wind down, we will be working with your membership director, Tom Parker, in a membership drive to help jump start the much needed membership growth.

So if you have been thinking of becoming more involved with YOUR local Libertarian party, the timing couldn't be better.

Lastly, and the **single most important** thing that you can do is sign up one new member and register five new voters as Libertarians. That's it, it's that easy. If each one of us signs just one new member and registers five new voters as Libertarian, we will have doubled our membership, and increased our registered voter ranks by 50%!!! In the past year on a state level we increased our registered voter ranks by 30% - and that's without any concerted effort!!! Just imagine what we can do if we just apply a little effort.

There is a reason that I set this goal, and I am asking you for your help in achieving it. This is an 'off election year' that means that besides city council, and smaller races, there are no statewide elections. Next year 2002, will be the biggest election in Colorado Libertarian history! We already have two announced candidate for Governor (Bob Glass and James Vance), and one more eyeing up the position, as well as Rick Stanley for US Senate thirteen months from the election!! With a strong voter base, we, the LPBC could be responsible for turning the tide in Colorado politics. But to do that, we need to begin a strong growth cycle now

I look forward to meeting each and every one of you personally, and hope to work closely with each of you in the year ahead.

Sincerely,  
Joe Johnson Chairman  
Libertarian Party of Boulder County  
Liberty in my lifetime!

# PAUL DANISH IS NO LIBERTARIAN

By Ron Bain

I once considered Paul Danish a friend. Now, I consider him to be an, ugh, politician.

Danish served on the Boulder City Council between 1968-70, pushing forward what ultimately became known as "The Danish Plan," the same plan that drew open space boundaries around Boulder and began the upward spiral in housing prices. So, every month when I scrape together the equivalent of a mortgage payment just to rent a two-bedroom apartment in north Boulder, I take a few moments to mentally note, "Thanks, Paul."

In between his stint on the Boulder City Council and his current role as a Boulder County commissioner (which he wants you to extend beyond the term limit), Danish cozied up to libertarians and hempsters by writing for "Soldier of Fortune" magazine, writing articles for the Colorado Daily that advocated legalization of marijuana and appearing as a speaker at hemp rallies. He once introduced Andre Marrou, the 1992 Libertarian presidential nominee, to a rally in Denver. He served as a Senior Fellow at the Independence Institute, a free market think tank in Golden. There was a time when I thought Danish might become a card-carrying member of the Libertarian Party.

When he participated in the 1994 Democratic district primary for state representative, I was almost sorry that I had not changed my registration to Democrat for one day just so I could vote for him; he lost to Ron Tupa by four votes (Tupa, by the way, went on to the statehouse and carried legislation that made life easier for third parties). When Danish got the Democratic nod for county commissioner in 1996, there wasn't a Libertarian running so I voted for him...that one time. Boy, was that a mistake.

The Daily Camera also made a mistake on Thursday, Aug. 2nd in describing Danish on its editorial page as a small-'l' "libertarian," a term sometimes loosely applied to people who advocate drug legalization or restrictions on police powers. "He believes less government is the best government and that property rights must be protected and preserved," wrote the Camera editorial board.

I beg to differ. Since getting elected to the county

commission, Danish has voted with Commissioners Mendez and Stewart, who are most definitely not even small-'l' libertarians, on:

- ◆ Spy-cameras at the Boulder County Courthouse
- ◆ Federal anti-drug (read: anti-marijuana) funding for Sheriff Epp
- ◆ The election for the sheriff's proposed new jail (although Danish joined the public in rejecting the idea after he helped place it on the ballot)
- ◆ Chemical sprayings of pesticides in Boulder County, despite the objections of landowners and environmentalists
- ◆ Hare-brained growth control schemes that assist the Boulder City Council with turning Boulder into a haven for rich white people that no one else can afford
- ◆ Appeals of planning and zoning commission decisions, such as Steve Patterson's desire to build a nice home where stands one that's so old, dilapidated and unlivable that it qualifies for "historical designation"
- ◆ Setting a Boulder County election to grant himself, the other two commissioners, the sheriff, the county clerk and coroner indefinite relief from term limits

After it became clear that Colorado citizens were prepared to vote in large numbers for medical marijuana, I once asked Paul when he was going to "do something" with his power as a Boulder County commissioner to ease the pressure of the drug war in Boulder County -- like working to make the county a proving ground for legalization. His reply to me, and other legalization advocates, was, "As soon as I'm re-elected."

When he was first elected to the Bounty County commission, Danish assembled a unique coalition of Democrats, Greens, Libertarians, hempsters, students and property owners to support his candidacy.

Now it seems that all he needs is the good ol' Democratic Party and to be re-elected forevermore.

## LTE in Daily Camera on 09/03/01

Editor:

Your August 27th Editorial ("The 2,000-acre ruse") underscores the reason why we should take areas like Arctic National Wildlife Refuge out from under the control of politicians. Politicians like Dick Cheney and George W. Bush will trade ANWR for political gain in a heartbeat.

You might think electing the right politicians can protect ANWR, but sooner or later, politicians worse than George W. Bush are going to be elected. Therefore if ANWR stays under the control of politicians, sooner or later it will be exploited by oil companies that have far more political power than environmentalists.

The only way to forever keep politicians from allowing oil companies to exploit ANWR is to remove the control of ANWR from politicians. And the only way to remove control of ANWR from politicians is to gradually sell off ANWR to private organizations like the Nature Conservancy, The National Audubon Society, and the Sierra Club. Private organizations like these are sure to protect these lands far better than politicians. And we should have huge tax cuts so that many more people would be able to afford giving large donations to these private organizations to help pay for the purchase of ANWR.

It makes sense to take these lands out of the hands of people you don't trust and put them into the hands of people you do trust.

Only the Libertarian Party supports getting politicians out of ANWR. Vote Libertarian!

Sincerely,  
Chuck Wright

### **Founder of Pink Pistols gun group becomes a Libertarian Party member** (from [www.lp.org](http://www.lp.org))

[September 24] A founding member of the Pink Pistols -- a gun-owners organization composed mostly of "sexual minority community" members -- has defected from the Green Party and joined the

Libertarian Party.

David Rostcheck, who became a member on August 22, said he joined because the LP is the only political party opposed to the "illegal expansion of government power."

"No party that cannot name and oppose the erosion of Constitutional law will ever be able to stop this erosion," he said. "Only the Libertarians have the courage and clarity to name the enemy and stand firmly against it."

Rostcheck had helped launch the Pink Pistols in September 2000. The organization, which views the Second Amendment as crucial to the freedom of minority citizens, now has 27 chapters nationwide.

Each chapter meets at least once per month at local firing ranges to practice shooting. Pink Pistols officers offer to help members select a firearm, acquire a permit, and receive proper training.

At about the time the Pink Pistols started, Rostcheck joined the Green Party, motivated, he said, by an interest in "social justice" and an affinity for its 2000 presidential candidate Ralph Nader.

But the 31-year-old software engineer said he soon discovered that so-called "progressive" leaders lacked the social tolerance they claimed to support, often denouncing gun-owners as "right-wing Wackos" and "gun nuts."



"When I saw [Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender] organizations vote to endorse a lesbian candidate who openly and proudly wrote discrimination into gun laws to oppress people she did not like, I realized that I could no longer align myself with a movement that brazenly scorns the

principles it publicly aspires to," he said.

Although disturbed by this hostility to the Second Amendment, Rostcheck said the transition from the Green Party to the LP wasn't an easy one.

For years he "resisted [LP] arguments with skepticism and vigor," often debating politics with fellow Pink Pistols founder and LP member Doug Krick, he said.

But as he tried to reform state gun laws and influence public opinion on gun control during the past year, Rostcheck said he found himself in greater and greater agreement with the Libertarian perspective.

"I have been won over not by the persuasive arguments of a great orator, but by the slow piling up of an undeniable weight of evidence showing a concrete and demonstrable pattern of illegal expansion of government power," he said.

Rostcheck acknowledged he still believes there are some problems where government can be effective, such as "combating plagues" or providing for mentally ill citizens.

However, he added that since he became an LP member, several Libertarian friends have been able to point out workable private-sector solutions to problems he had previously thought unsolvable without government action.

"A year ago I would have claimed that maintaining the roads was a government responsibility," he said. "But studying history, especially that before the past century, has given me a lot to re-examine -- for example, no government built the railroad tracks, yet they got built."

Although Rostcheck said his political opinions would continue to evolve with time and study, he said he also knows one thing for sure: He will never go back to the "progressive" movement he had once called his home.

"I will never again sit through another workshop on diversity taught by a bigot or listen to another speech on 'equal justice' given by a hypocrite," he said. "I will never send another check to a 'diversity-based' organization that then sends it out to a bigot. I refuse to be a party to this fraud.

"To restore principled government, we must use

principled politics. I now believe that the only party that can effectively restore the protection of our rights is the Libertarian Party."

Although membership is predominantly gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender, the Pink Pistols welcome members from all backgrounds. Sign up for its mailing list at:

[pinkpistols-request@egroups.com](mailto:pinkpistols-request@egroups.com).

## **STANLEY STIRS UP SENATE RACE**

### **To Sue or Not to Sue, That is the Question**

By Ron Bain

Is it libelous for a major news source, such as the Rocky Mountain News, to disavow the existence of minor party candidates with statements such as "Ted Strickland is the ONLY declared opponent to Sen. Wayne Allard...?"

Rick Stanley, a Denver businessman seeking the 2002 Libertarian nomination for the U.S. Senate race likely involving Allard and Strickland, thinks so.

On July 31st, Stanley filed an FEC Statement of Candidacy with the Colorado Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Senate, declaring his intent to run for the Senate seat currently held by Allard. He also obtained an Employer Identification Number from the IRS in order to open a campaign bank account, depositing \$2,000 of his own money to get it started.

On the same day, Stanley also Faxed copies of the above documents to all Denver-area media sources, including the Denver Post, the Rocky Mountain News, National Public Radio and the Associated Press. The Denver Post, NPR and the AP acknowledged Stanley's candidacy with brief stories; the Rocky Mountain News did not. Instead, repeated stories in the RMN specified that Strickland was "the only opponent" to Allard.

Stanley was outraged so he organized a 175-person protest outside the Rocky's front door on Aug. 14th, armed with signs that read "The Rocky Mountain News LIES!"

A second protest is scheduled for Aug. 29th and Stanley is mulling a libel lawsuit, which would cite a

little-known precedent making published remarks excluding one from a group to which one legitimately belongs (like Senate candidates) defamatory.

"We're looking into it now," Stanley said recently. "Nobody's made any decision. We are consulting with several lawyers about it."

The Rocky Mountain News drew the wrath of Libertarians last October when it published a 2000 Voters Guide sans any mention of a record-setting number of Libertarian candidates, and found protestors at its door then too.

Stanley said he spoke to a Scripps-Howard representative who could not explain the RMN's pattern of excluding Libertarian candidates. If a lawsuit is filed, it might become a class-action suit naming several national media outlets and their local affiliates for common journalistic practices such as rounding vote totals in three-way races to make it appear that the Libertarian received no votes, he said.

"I'm the only announced candidate from the Libertarian Party and the party is one hundred percent certain to nominate me," Stanley stated. "I have wherewithal."

His major issues as a Senate candidate will be restoring the Constitutionality of government, ending the "police state" caused by the War on Drugs, and "starting a Second American Revolution."

"I'm only going for one term," hoping in that time to demonstrate "that the oath of office is a lie when Democrats and Republicans take it," Stanley remarked. He advocates "citizen legislators" who are well versed in Constitutional law and the Bill of Rights.

Comparing himself to Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura, Stanley says he is "blunt, to the point, and honest." As a case in point, the Constitution, he says, "has been interpreted six feet under the ground."

At age 47, Stanley realized he was a Libertarian only two years ago, when a lifelong friend loaned him the book "What It Means To Be A Libertarian," by Charles Murray. Prior to discovering the Libertarian Party, he was "apolitical."

Now the flag at Stanley Fasteners on East 39th Street in Denver flies at half-mast, upside down, as a

sign of national distress. In California, many people are doing the same thing, he said, but are adding signs that say "Restore Freedom - Vote Libertarian!"

Fifteen months before the election, Stanley calculates his roster of supporters at 35,000 and estimates he'll need at least 600,000 votes to win.

"Only 565,000 to go," he grinned.

## Changing the By-Laws

In accordance with the current By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Boulder County, I hereby submit a proposal to amend the current structure of said By-Laws.

Also in accordance with the By-Laws, (Article x - A) this proposal is hereby being sent to the entire voting membership of the LPBC at least one week prior to the board meeting at which the amendments are to be voted upon.

Such Amendments will require a four-fifths vote for passage, and any current voting member of the LPBC is invited, and encouraged to vote either by attending the October meeting to be held (10-11-01) or by filling out the attached proxy voting ballot, and either mailing it to the LPBC headquarters to arrive on or before the day of the October meeting, or hand delivering it to the Secretary (Jon Ford), again prior to the meeting.

The voting member **MUST** sign all proxy vote ballots. Members attending the meeting need not fill out a ballot, as the vote will be taken verbally, with proxies counted into the total.

Suggested Amendments:

1) Article V-A

**changed from:**

"The Board of Directors of the LPBC is composed of the following Officers: Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director, Publicity Director, and Newsletter editor."

**Changed To:**

"The Board of Directors of the LPBC is composed of

the following Officers: Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director, Publicity Director, Campaigns Director, Fund-raising Director, Outreach Director, and Newsletter editor."

Thus adding: Campaigns Director, Fund-raising Director, and Outreach Director

## 2) Article V-F

### Changed From:

"To pass resolutions, a quorum must be present. A quorum is defined as fifty percent or more of the Officers of the Board, among whom must be included the Chairman and the Secretary, or those deputized to act for them, subject however to the provisions of paragraph J below. "

### changed to:

To pass resolutions, a quorum must be present. A quorum is defined as fifty percent or more of the sitting Officers of the Board, among whom must be included the Chairman and the Secretary, or those deputized to act for them, subject however to the provisions of paragraph J below.

Thus adding the word "sitting"

## 3) Article V-J

### Changed from:

"In the event of a vacancy among the Officers of the Board, the Board shall have the authority to select an acting replacement for the remainder of the term by passage of an appropriate resolution. For the purposes of this section [J], a quorum shall be defined as fifty percent of the Officers of the Board, or their duly authorized deputies. Resignations must be submitted to the Board in writing."

### Changed to:

In the event of a vacancy among the Officers of the Board, the Board shall have the authority to select an acting replacement for the remainder of the term by passage of an appropriate resolution. For the purposes of this section [J], a quorum shall be defined as fifty percent of the sitting Officers of the Board, or their duly authorized deputies. If a vacancy persists due to a person being neither elected nor appointed to the Board, that position shall not be

considered as "sitting", and thus that vacancy shall not be counted for purposes concerning a quorum. Resignations must be submitted to the Board in writing.

Thus adding the word "sitting" and the sentence; "If a vacancy persists due to a person being neither elected nor appointed to a particular position on the Board, that position shall not be considered as "sitting", and thus that vacancy shall not be counted for purposes concerning a quorum."

### Official Notice Monthly Meeting and By-Laws vote

This meeting will start at 6:30 PM at Golden Corral in North Longmont, on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001.

At this meeting we will be voting on the bylaw amendments as outlined in this newsletter.

To vote, attend, or fill out the following absentee ballot. Then mail it to Jon Ford or the LPBC headquarters so that arrives before October 11.

I, the undersigned voting member vote as follows on the changes to the bylaws as detailed in the October newsletter.

\_\_\_ YES     \_\_\_ NO

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print name.

# Monthly Calendar

Date	Day of Week	Time	What	Where
10/01/01	Mon	Noon	Weekly lunch	The Hunan Garden in Boulder
10/08/01	Mon	Noon	Weekly lunch	The Hunan Garden in Boulder
10/11/01	Thu	6:30pm	Monthly board meeting	The Golden Corral in Longmont
10/15/01	Mon	Noon	Weekly lunch	The Hunan Garden in Boulder
10/20/01	Sat	6:30pm	LPCO Awards Banquet For more information see <a href="http://www.lpboulder.com/events/Banquet2001/">http://www.lpboulder.com/events/Banquet2001/</a> Come see John Ross speak. For the web challenged contact Carol Geltemeyer • (719) 596-6799 by October 16.	Colorado Springs
10/22/01	Mon	Noon	Weekly lunch	The Hunan Garden in Boulder
10/29/01	Mon	Noon	Weekly lunch	The Hunan Garden in Boulder

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### Membership Application

Option (Check one)	Dues	LP Memberships included			Duration
		<i>Boulder County</i>	<i>Colorado</i>	<i>National</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One year	\$15	Yes	–	–	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Three year	\$42	Yes	–	–	3 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Triple combo	\$40	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> State/Nat'l	\$25	–	Yes	Yes	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Trial	\$0	Trial	–	–	3 months
<input type="checkbox"/> I'm not ready to join yet, but please send me a FREE Libertarian info packet.					

- In addition, please accept my contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the LPBC.
- To become a *voting* member of the LPBC, you must sign the Libertarian Pledge. By not signing, you will become a *non-voting* member.

**Libertarian Pledge:** I hereby certify I do not believe in, or advocate, the *initiation* of force as a means of achieving political or social goals. \*

Signature	
Date	

- Member information

Name
Address
City/State/Zip
Home Phone
Work Phone
Email

- Please make checks payable to: **LPBC**
- Return to: LPBC • 2525 Arapahoe Ave, Suite E4, PMB 427 • Boulder, CO 80302
- Volunteer activities (check all that apply)
  - I'm interested in being an LP candidate.
  - I'm willing to work on a LP candidate's campaign.
  - I'm interested in serving on the LPBC board of directors.
  - I'd like to volunteer my skills of \_\_\_\_\_
  - I'm willing to help in other ways; let me know what you need!

\* What does the above Libertarian Pledge mean? We ask our members to disavow the initiation of force. This does not mean that you cannot defend yourself; you do have the right to defend your life, liberty, and property. It means that you will not use the coercive power of government to forcibly achieve your personal, ethical, or religious goals. This commitment helps us maintain our principles and provides us with a measuring stick to determine if we have strayed from our common goal: a society where all relationships among persons are based on voluntary cooperation.

For more information about the LPBC, please check our web site at <http://www.lpboulder.org/>

This form last updated: 09/05/01 by [Tom Parker](#)

# Minutes from the Board meeting

LPBC Board Meeting Minutes  
September 13, 2001  
Chengs, Louisville, CO

Present: Joe Johnson, Ron Bain, Chris Yoder, Chuck Wright, John Larkin, Greg Wood, Jon Ford

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM.

The August minutes were approved.

## Chair's Report

- Bob Glass gladly signed the pledge and paid his dues, becoming a voting member of the LP in preparation for his gubernatorial campaign.
- A half-dozen LPBC members joined a half-dozen "Stanley for Senate" volunteers and BetteRose Smith at the Louisville Parade and Fair. Joe dressed as Lady Liberty; hundreds of pieces of literature were handed out. We had to rent a canopy at a cost of \$128.52.
- Tony Middleton took the LPBC booth to the Lafayette Fair. The poor weather made it a challenge, but there was still lots of interest in the booth, and many \$1 million bills were distributed.
- A more detailed chair report covering the three items above is available in the LPBC hard copy archives.

## Treasurer's Report

- For the period 8/9/01 to 9/13/01, we have \$468.56 in checking and \$676.60 in savings. A detailed summary of the treasurer's report is available in the LPBC hard copy archives.
- Still waiting to collect the rest of the Bowl-a-Thon pledge checks. The total (estimated to be \$830, second most successful bowling fund raiser yet) will be reported in the October report.

## Membership Report

- We currently have 56 voting and 8 contributing members, for a total of 64.
- We have 43 trial members

## Publicity Report

- The LPBC took part in three outreach events: the fairs in Louisville and Lafayette, and the gun show at the Boulder County fair grounds.

## Newsletter Report

- There will be a newsletter this month.
- Please send articles, news items, or anything of local interest to Chris Yoder (see Web site for contact info, or contact any member of the LPBC board).

## Old Business

- There was continued concern about the lack of a newsletter. Greg Wood and his wife have volunteered to step up if necessary, but Chris will continue in the position. In order for the newsletter to maintain the high standard set by John Larkin, Chris will need as much content as we can provide.
- Joe outlined the pros and cons of the EZ-UP vs. Caravan canopies. Tony Middleton has a friend in the silk-

screening business who may be able to silk-screen on a less-expensive Sam's Club canopy. Tabled until more info is available.

- Joe requested that we add three new board positions: Fund-Raising Director, Campaign Director, and Outreach Director. Per the bylaws the request needs to be presented to the general membership for vote, but Joe wants the board's support before doing so. Discussion followed. It was decided to proceed so the infrastructure will be in place when a willing member steps forward to fill any of these slots.

#### New Business

- Joe proposed we initiate a work-for-membership program for full-time students who may want to join the LPBC but who are cash-strapped. Discussion on the details followed, but all agreed it is a capital idea. "Work" would entail such things as working shifts at an outreach booth, helping on an LP campaign, or getting an LP-promoting letter published in a Boulder County newspaper. Jon will type up and distribute to the board a summation of the program for final approval.
- Contingent on production of a receipt, the LPBC will reimburse Elizabeth \$128.52 to cover the cost of canopy rental at the Louisville Fair.
- The LPBC will reimburse Carrie Russell \$30 for canopy rental for the Lafayette Fair.
- Ron Bain is on the ballot for a Boulder City Council seat. He's received excellent press coverage so far, and he and will take part in a candidate's forum, meet with the Daily Camera editorial board, speak to the League of Women Voters of Boulder County, and make two television appearances on Channel 8. He asked the LPBC (as well as individual members) to donate to his campaign to help cover the cost of a Web site, flyers, and t-shirts. The board approved \$100.
- It was discussed whether one LPBC board e-mail address would be beneficial. The decision was no.
- Tom Parker will extend everyone's membership by two months to account for the missing newsletters.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 PM.

# **A Sincere Apology**

The current newsletter editor apologizes for the interruption in the stream of newsletters that occurred over the last two months.

I appear to have bitten off more than I can chew for the time being. I wish to thank all of you who helped out with contributions, and advice.

-Chris Yoder [cy@arthurdent.com](mailto:cy@arthurdent.com)

## **The September 11<sup>th</sup> Tragedy weighs heavily on all our minds.**

Our hearts go out to the thousands of Americans who suffered a loss during the terrible events of September 11, 2001. It is a tragic day that will live in our memories -- but is also a day that will allow the best of America to shine through by virtue of our response.

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