



Society for Libertarian Life

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Brief History of SLL

Historically, SLL started as a meager operation in early 1973 at the conclusion of an experimental college class at California State Univ., Fullerton [CSUF]. A small journal was founded by late 1973, publishing at irregular intervals. A few years later, the publication was up-graded and given a new name--"Libertas Review" [published quarterly]. The first major SLL activity was a speech by former Progressive Labor leader [turned semi-libertarian], Phillip Abbot Luce. It was not until a very successful lecture by Prof. Nathaniel Branden [more than 300 in the audience] in 1975 that caused SLL to begin a series of lectures. Some of the lecturers sponsored by SLL include: Liz Keathley, Robert LeFevre, Prof. Murray Rothbard, Prof. John Hospers, Prof. Tibor Machan, Karl Bray, Lynn Kinsky, Prof. Charles Baird, Sy Leon, David Bergland, Prof. Joel Spring, John Matonis, Ken Grubbs, Jr., Samuel Konkin III, Ken Gregg, Jr., Roy Begley, George Smith, Phil Osborn.



Robert LeFevre



John Matonis



Prof. Murray Rothbard



One of SLL's major events was an anti-draft protest day at Cal State Univ., Fullerton in May, 1979. News coverage included front-page [with photo] stories to TV coverage [NBC and CBS].



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* Membership includes SLL journal (LIBERTAS REVIEW) which is published quarterly. Society for Libertarian Life is a non-profit, non-partisan educational organization.

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"No man or group of men has the right to initiate the use of force, fraud or coercion against another man or group of men."

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monster, the state has broken its chains and in its rampage threatens to destroy civilization, order and liberty. It is the purpose of SLL to re-chain this monster, and build a philosophical entrapment which will prevent such a monster of initiated physical force and outright coercion from plaguing free men and women again.

It is the purpose of SLL to educate, to lead people toward self-discoveries, and to show that the well-being of every person is related to oneself and one's attitude, and not to politics, government or authority. It is the purpose of SLL to prove that freedom has no distance and is as close as saying, "I will not be a slave to another!"

It is the self-made chains of most men and women which allow rulers to tread on individual rights. We must realize that we rule ourselves, and always have. We must not waive our rights to anyone or any group of individuals. To be free, we must believe that we are free.

In times to come, will we tell our grandchildren that no one spoke up for liberty, that no one dared to resist governmental invasion and tyranny, that we allowed Big Brother to stamp, fold and mutilate our lives and lifestyles? Or will we smile, stand up tall and free, and all agree, "It's sure a free country, ain't it!"

Since the founding of Society for Libertarian Life, it has grown beyond the campus. SLL is now one of the largest libertarian organizations of its kind on the West coast. SLL now provides educational materials, booklets, buttons, stickers, posters and a series of lectures. SLL publishes an annual catalog of its materials and continues to publish its quarterly journal "Libertas Review."

Some of the well-known lecturers sponsored by SLL have been Prof. Nathaniel Branden, Prof. John Hospers, Prof. Tibor Machan, Robert LeFevre, Prof. Murray Rothbard, Prof. Charles Baird, Karl Bray, Sy Leon, Lynn Kinsky, Prof. David Bergland, Liz Keathley, Phillip Abbott Luce, Kenneth Grubbs, Jr. and Samuel Konkin III.



How often have you watched a late night Western movie, and the tall hero with a James Stewart accent says, "It's a free country, ain't it?" Usually, those who are told this never disagree with the statement. They just nod their heads in agreement, lean closer to the saloon's railing and guzzle down another bottle of cactus juice. Today, however, it is a different story altogether.

Something has gone wrong. When was the last time you felt you were controlling your own destiny? When was the last time you felt independent, free living and proud? When was the last time you showed little fear of the thriving power of police, IRS agents, city hall and government in general? It is no wonder why few people today proclaim that America is as free as it once was.

Since the climax of the American Revolution, the United States has slowly lost its dedication to the very principles the colonists had defended - principles which speak of Individual Rights, including those regarding person and property; principles which place the individual ahead of the state; and principles which recognize the equal worth of the individual.

The most amazing part of the American Revolution was that the Continental Congress did not claim the authority to force Americans to finance the war with taxes, nor the authority to force men to fight alongside General Washington. The American Army was voluntarily manned, resulting in the defeat of the mightiest nation in the world at that time. Could the same be said of the last Asian war America became involved in?

It is for these reasons that Society for Libertarian Life (SLL) was founded by a handful of young students at California State University, Fullerton in 1973. The founding leaders of SLL worked to promote the individualism and independence that once flourished in America - basic ideas of "Equal Liberty" which spoke of personal and economic liberties to pursue one's dreams, abilities and wants in peace.

But this has changed. Tales of unlimited and brutal governments clutter newspaper headlines. It is rare indeed to find a city, county or state government chained by its citizens. For the most part, governments are free to do what they want when given the opportunity. Like a Frankenstein

