

About the speakers



KARL HESS is a former Republican Party ghostwriter and speechwriter for Barry Goldwater ("Extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice"), President Nixon and Ford. A former editor of Newsweek, Hess was denounced by William F. Buckley for his infamous statement, "I love the country. I loathe the notion." An early editor of Buckley's National Review, Hess turned new left in the late 1960's, preaching decentralized anarchism. His best known book is Dear America. Hess is also well-known for his award-winning 1969 Playboy article "The Death of Politics."



ROBERT ANTON WILSON is well-known as the author of the Illuminatus trilogy (with Robert J. Shea): Cosmic Trigger; Neuropolitics and The Game of Life (with Timothy Leary); and the Schrodinger's Cat trilogy. His newest book is The Illuminati Papers, which is due out in May, 1980. Vice-President of the Institute for the Study of the Human Future, Wilson has a Ph.D. in psychology. A former Playboy Associate Editor, Wilson's Illuminatus has been produced as an off-Broadway show, performed in England, Germany and Denmark.



ROBERT LEFEVRE has been a fountainhead of the west coast libertarian movement almost since its inception. He is also one of the most controversial libertarians on the issues of justice and pacifism. Lefevre has had an extensive career in both broadcasting and journalism. In 1956 he founded the Freedom School in Colorado Springs (later renamed Rampart College, eventually moved to Santa Ana, California). Lefevre is the author of This Bread is Mine, The Nature of Man and His Government, The Philosophy of Ownership, Lift Her Up Tenderly, and the booklets Good Government: Hope or Illusion? and Does Government Protection Protect?



ARTHUR B. LAFFER is best known for his "Laffer Curve", which demonstrates that more revenue will be collected by the government when lower tax rates are levied on society. A full Professor of Business Economics at the University of Southern California since 1976, Laffer is currently a member of the Los Angeles Times Board of Economists. He was formerly associated with the editorial page of the Wall Street Journal. His best-known book is The Economics of the Tax Revolt: A Reader (co-authored by Jan P. Seymour).



JOHN JOSEPH MATONIS, attorney (1424 E. Imperial Hwy., Suite F, La Mirada, CA 90638), has long championed libertarian and anti-government causes. Best known for his battles with the IRS, he has fought the government on issues ranging from Loetrite to draft counseling. In 1973 he won the National Justice Foundation's "Attorney of the Year" Award. Currently, "Jack" publishes Little Guy, a counter-government newsletter (\$25 per year) which advocates "Monkey Wrench Law" to sabotage the machinery of government; and he is also well-known for his legal seminars.



J. NEIL SCHULMAN is author of Alongside Night (Crown Publishing), of which Dr. Thomas Szasz wrote, "It might and ought to be the Atlas Shrugged of the '80's". Organizer of the CounterCon conference on Counter-Economics (1974-75) in Massachusetts, Schulman was media director of the Counter-Campaign '76 drive, known as the "Vote For Nobody" campaign. Since 1972, Schulman has been an editor of New Libertarian Notes and New Libertarian Weekly. He has also published articles in Reason, Libertarian Forum, Libertarian Review, Omni, New York Times Book Review, and NY Sunday News.



JOHN A. PUGSLEY is a successful businessman, investment advisor and author. He is most noted for his bestseller, Common Sense Economics, and currently publishes the Common Sense newsletter. A graduate of UCLA, he has been the president of several corporations involved in manufacturing and marketing. He has lectured and worked with Harry Browne and Sy Leon. His second book, Alpha Strategy, will be published in April 1980.



SANDY SHAKOCIUS is Director of Biological Research for Spectrum Technology Service. She has been a freelance scientific consultant for the past 10 years, four of them in collaboration with physicist Durk Pearson on biomedical research done under private grants. Her consultant work covers a multitude of subjects, including films (TV and movies). She has done TV and radio show programs and lectures on life extension and nutrition, intelligence increase, physiology, immune system function, etc. Her scientific writing includes two recent projects in collaboration with Pearson: "Mind Food" (May '79 Omni) and a forthcoming book about life extension research and technology (Warner Books, 1980).



LOWELL PONTE, author of The Cooling, has been a KPFK radio commentator/show host for 11 years. He has appeared frequently on the Today Show, Tomorrow Show and Good Morning America. Currently, Ponte is editor of Politics Today, science editor of Gallery, editor of New Energy (forthcoming), and contributing editor of Reason. Ponte is the Los Angeles Times Senior Book Reviewer, as well as being a syndicated columnist; his writings have appeared in such journals as Penthouse, Reader's Digest, New York Times, and Human Events.



GEORGE H. SMITH, author of Atheism: The Case Against God, studied philosophy at the University of Arizona for four years. He is a research fellow for the Institute for Humane Studies, which is funding Smith's new book on voluntary schooling vs. government schooling. Director of the Forum for Philosophical Studies, Smith has lectured extensively for the Cato Institute. On occasion, he has given commentaries on KPFK radio in Los Angeles.



JOHN HOSPERS, currently a Professor (formerly director) of the School of Philosophy at the University of Southern California, is the author of eight books and over 50 articles on philosophy. A former Fulbright Scholar at the University of London, Professor Hospers is the editor of The Personalist, associate editor of Philosophical Studies, advisory editor of The American Philosophical Quarterly, and contributing editor of Reason. Hospers ran for U.S. President in 1972 on the Libertarian Party ticket, receiving one Electoral College vote; he later ran for governor of California in 1974.



SAMUEL EDWARD KONKLIN III is the editor of the publication New Libertarian. A leader of the anti-political action and anti-Libertarian Party faction in the libertarian movement, Konklin has a Masters degree in Theoretical Chemistry from New York University (1973). During the early years of the Libertarian Party, Konklin led the Radical Caucus of the New York Free Libertarian Party, which controlled 20 to 30 percent of the delegates at the first state convention. The Radical Caucus' main objective was to dismantle the LP from within. Konklin is the originator of the term "Counter-Economics".

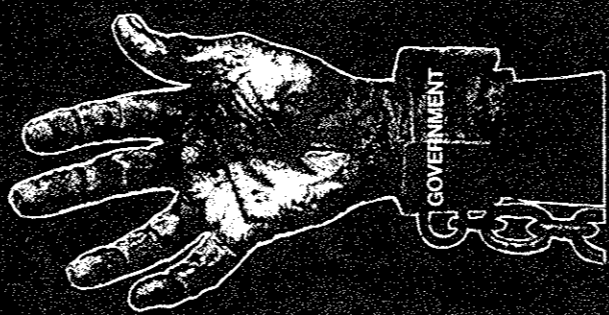


MANUEL S. KLAUSNER is a partner in the law firm of Kindel & Anderson, Los Angeles. Formerly an instructor at the University of Chicago Law School (1964-65), he also was a 1972 Libertarian Party Candidate for Congress. In addition to his law practice, Klausner is currently chair of the Libertarian Law Council and senior editor of the long-lived journal Reason.

DAVID BERGLAND, attorney, was the 1976 vice-presidential candidate (Roger McBride was the presidential candidate) on the Libertarian Party ticket (he also ran for Attorney General of California in 1974). A professor at Western University College of Law, Bergland is currently a candidate for U.S. Senate from California, and has been national chair of the Libertarian Party since 1977.

ANTHONY HARGIS has authored four books: Low vs. Freedom, In Gold I Trust, A Measure of Gold, and Capital Preservation with Gold Accounting. An executive officer and trustee of Anthony Hargis & Co., he is the publisher of the monthly Free Market Advertiser. Hargis is well-known for developing the concepts and means to create "Stateless Firms" with gold accounting and business trusts.

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LUNDA ABRAMS, attorney, specializes in Constitutional Law and litigation against government agencies (her law degree is from UCLA). She is director of the Libertarian Supper Club of Los Angeles, and is a member of the Libertarian Law Council. Abrams has lectured extensively on contractual approaches to marriage and living together.

BOB MCGINLEY is well-known for his involvement in the fields of human sexuality and alternative lifestyles (he holds a Ph.D. in Consulting Psychology from Newport University). He is president of the Society for Alternative Lifestyles and is founder of the annual Lifestyles Convention, as well as founder of the oldest swing club in America. Co-author of The Other American: Living and Emerging Lifestyles, McGinley has written for Playgirl and Forum magazines. He currently lectures on university campuses on human sexuality.

CARL NICOLAI, president of the Seattle based Cryptext Corporation, is an electronics designer and inventor of a commercial and CB voice-scrambler which was banned by the National Security Agency (NSA). Nicolai finally was able to get the government to lift the ban, with support from the media and several Congressmen.

SHAWN STEEL is an attorney (USC law graduate) and one of the main founders of the Future of Freedom libertarian conference series dating back to 1969. He is also currently editor of the Libertarian Law Notes, newsletter of the Libertarian Law Council.

JONATHAN WIENER is an Associate Professor of History at the University of California, Irvine. His specialty is the history of Marxism.

JEFFREY JOHNSON, an upholder of Catholic Social Doctrine, received education (including religious training) in Switzerland, Italy, and Spain. He is currently chair of Catholics in Defense of Truth, an Orange County-based organization.

Schedule of events

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

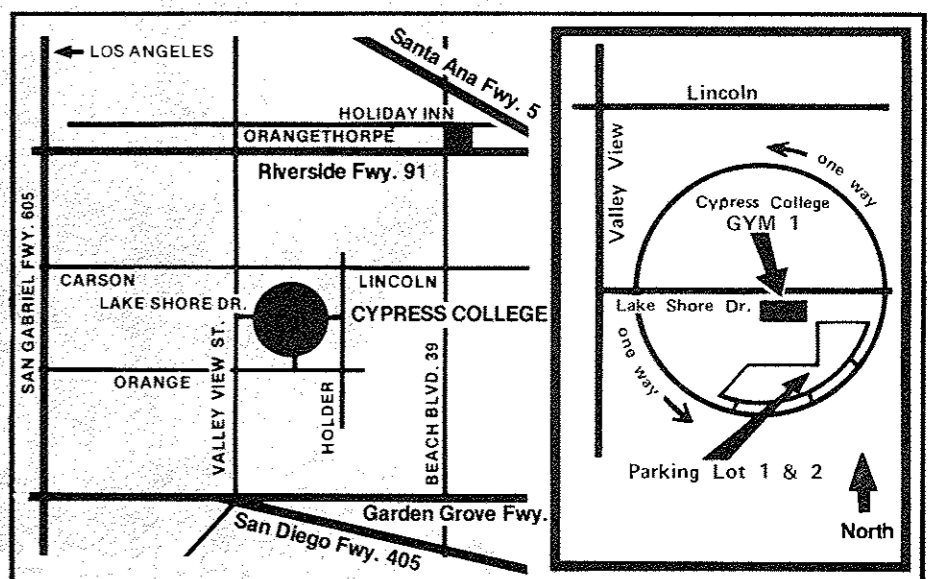
- 9:30 am to 10 am — Shawn Steel — Introduction & Reminiscing — past conferences since 1969
- 10:00 am to 11:00 am — John (Jack) Matonis — "Individual Counter-Government Action as a Means to Future Liberty"
- 11:00 am to 12 noon — Prof. John Hospers — "The Future of Democracy: A Libertarian Challenge"
- 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm — Lunch (Short film — Inflation File — 30 min.)
- 1:00 pm to 2:20 pm — Debate — Lowell Ponte vs. Prof. Wiener — "Libertarianism or Marxism: Which Direction for the Future?"
- 2:20 pm to 2:30 pm — Break
- 2:30 pm to 3:50 pm — Debate — George Smith vs. Jeffrey Johnson — "Libertarianism or Conservatism: The Future of Victimless Crimes and Religion."
- 3:50 pm to 4:00 pm — Break
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm — Robert Anton Wilson — "Neophobes and Neophiles: The Futurist Dialectic"
- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm — Neil Schulman — "Picturing Libertarian Futures"
- "A Tribute to Robert Lefevre" Banquet
- 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm — No Host Bar at Holiday Inn (7000 Beach Blvd., Buena Park) in Plaza Ball Room
- 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm — Banquet Dinner
- 8:15 pm to 10:30 pm — Tribute to Robert Lefevre and speech.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

- 9:30 am to 10:30 am — Carl Nicolai — "The Future of Electronic Communication"
- 10:30 am to 11:30 am — Panel: John Pugsley and Anthony Hargis — "The Future of the Economy: Alternatives and Methods for Economic Survival"
- 11:30 am to 12:30 pm — Karl Hess — "Liberty as a Do-It-Yourself Project"
- 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm — Lunch (Short film — For a New Liberty — 30 min.)
- 1:30 pm to 2:45 pm — Debate: Samuel Edward Konklin III vs. Manuel Klausner — "Counter-Economics or Political Action: Which Direction for the Future?"
- 2:45 pm to 3:00 pm — Break
- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm — Prof. Arthur B. Laffer — "The Laffer Curve and the Future of the Tax Revolt"
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm — David Bergland — "Foreign Policy: The Future of Non-Interventionism"
- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm — Panel: Bob McGinley and Linda Abrams — "The Future of Liberty and Alternative Lifestyles"
- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm — Sandy Shakocius — "Life Extension, Intelligence Increase and Effects of Governmental Intervention"
- 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm — Film — Libra — 30 min.

Workshops will also be held during the Conference. Confirmed workshops at time of printing include: LP Radical Caucus, Libertarian Feminists, Freedom & Children, Alcor Life Extension Foundation. Others are pending. A complete schedule of workshops will be available at the Conference.

Where is Cypress College?



Ticket prices/information

Ticket prices: Both days (conference only): Students in advance, \$10; at door \$15. Non-Students in advance, \$20; at door \$25.

One day tickets: Students in advance, \$7.50; at door \$10. Non-Students in advance, \$15.00; at door \$20.00.

Lefevre Banquet: Regular tickets are \$12 each. Golden Patron tickets (front tables) are \$20 each. Reservations for banquet must be made before 12 noon, April 17 (Thursday). Banquet is at Holiday Inn, 7000 Beach Blvd., Buena Park, Plaza Ball Room.

Advance ticket deadline for conference is April 12. Some student scholarships are available. Literature Tables are \$30 in advance (before April 12) and \$40 at the door. Tickets for either the conference or banquet may be reserved by phone: (714) 526-8053 or (714) 962-6491. Literature table reservations and information: call (213) 869-5241. Conference floor manager: (714) 535-5798. Conference secretary: (714) 731-9476. Or write: Future of Freedom Conference, P.O. Box 4, Fullerton, CA 92632. Checks are payable to Future of Freedom Conference. Tickets are tax-deductible if checks are made out to Society for Libertarian Life (a tax-deductible group from California State University, Fullerton). **All tickets are to be picked up at the door.**

Nearby hotels include Buena Park Convention Center Hotel (7675 Crescent Ave., Buena Park), toll-free number (800) 421-2048; and the Holiday Inn (7000 Beach Blvd., Buena Park), toll-free number (800) 238-8000.

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TOTAL: Enclosed please find \$ _____ for tickets indicated above.