

## SCHOOL NOTES

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"Speakers were culled from various groups directly concerned with the propositions: "The Big Green" (Prop. 128); Lynn Sattler of "Forests Forever" and campaign manager for Prop. 130; "Californians for New Forestry" (Prop. 138); Theresa Schilling from the Sierra Club; Jim Steele, California Dept. of Fish and Game. The League of Women Voters supplied the moderator, Cathey Souza. Meeting space was provided by the Unitarian Universalist Society on Sierra Blvd., whose Social Responsibility Committee was the other co-sponsor.

**Northern California HGS Board Member Clay Berling** is inviting over 50 Methodist groups to join the School at a special one-day seminar to be held in an East bay Methodist Church in early 1991. Clay writes in his letter of invitation: "Some years ago I became part of a political economy group which helped me see that many of our social concerns are not just a matter of evil working in the world, but spring from the normal everyday efforts of each of us acting in our personal interest. The result is a systematic failure of economies on the left and the right." The seminar will focus on land tenure and its impact on peace and justice in our world. Follow-up interviews will be held with the participants to test the effectiveness of the program.

**HGS Chicago's Board of Trustees** met on December 12, 1990 and re-elected all officers for the 1991 term, viz.: Sam Venturella, President; George Menninger, Vice-President; Robert Jene, Secretary; Charles Metalitz, Treasurer. The School's winter term begins the week of Jan. 7 with reduced course offerings due to Sam Venturella's recent surgery (see our last *Newsletter*). A fundraising program and professionally-designed brochure are also in the works. Finally, *The Illinois Georgist*, was quoted in a local paper, the *Reader*: "Some people use drugs to help expand their awareness; others adopt Eastern religious practices. But there are a few thousand people in this world of ours that have expanded awareness because they studied Henry George's works."

**Fall at the Philadelphia HGS** began with a celebration of Henry George Day on September 2. A brief members meeting was followed by a series of table topic questions which focused on the Middle East directed to individuals by Don Hurford. School Secretary Lu Cipolloni prepared a cake & refreshments in honor of George's 151st birthday.

Henry George Day was also celebrated in Arden (Delaware's Single Tax town), with HGS Director Mike Curtis chairing, and speeches by trustee Shaul Gladstone, Arden Town Assembly Chairman William Press, Single-Tax Assessor Elizabeth Varley, Henry George Foundation President Steve Cord & NY-HGS Assistant Director Lindy Davies.

Saturday seminars included "Wage Tax vs. Property Tax" led by Dan Sullivan of Pittsburgh's Fair Tax Coalition, and Basic Economics, which was given twice this Fall.

Mike Curtis's prison program continues to go strong: *Fundamental Economics* taught by Mike, and *Applied Economics* by Joe Walls, at Smyrna, Delaware; the Law of Rent Seminar at Plummer Work Release Center & a new program at Gander Hill in Wilmington, with Mike. (See the feature on the prison program in our May 1990 issue). Jacob Himmelstein (board member) and Lu Cipolloni hosted travel writers at the Birthplace on November 2nd, participants in the "Off the Wall Press Familiarization Tour."

## BARBUTO ON BASIC BUSINESS ORGANIZATION

New York-HGS trustee & teacher Richard Barbuto, Esq. recently completed teaching a course on Basic Business Organization at New York's Katherine Gibbs School. Says Rich, "This course focused on the organization and operations of businesses. It also explored the goals and means of the owner (or owners) and those other persons, including employees and business students, organizations and governments...."

Students, who attended six consecutive Wednesday evenings from September 26 to October 31, completed a term project as well as a mid-term and final exam. Themes covered included People in Business, Business Systems & Society, Finance & Business and Marketing.

Rich, a professional lawyer with experience in banking, Bread for the World, and politics lives in Croton-on-Hudson with his wife and four children.

## WINTER IN NEW YORK

All classes begin the week of January 22

### BASIC CLASSES

#### FUNDAMENTAL ECONOMICS

Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30, Mr. George Collins

Wednesdays, 6 - 8, Mr. Lindy Davies

Thursdays, 6:30-8:30, Ms. Pia DeSilva

#### PROGRESO Y MISERIA

Tues., 5:30-7:30, Mr. Nibaldo Aguilera

Thur., 5:30-6:30, Mr. Manuel Felix

#### UNDERSTANDING ECONOMICS

Wed., 12:30-1:30, Mr. Lindy Davies

### ADVANCED CLASSES

#### GREAT DECISIONS '91

Tues., 5:30-7:30, Mrs. Fryda Ossias

#### CLASSICAL ANALYSIS II

Tues., 6:30-8:30, Mr. Mark Sullivan

#### APPLIED ECONOMICS

Wed., 5:30-7:30, Mr. Syd Mayers

#### ECONOMIC SCIENCE

Wed., 6:30-8:30, Mr. George Collins

#### PRACTICAL WRITING

Thur., 5:30-7:30, Mr. Lindy Davies

#### MONEY & BANKING

Thur., 6:30-8:30, Richard Barbuto, Esq.

### FRIDAY EVENING FORUMS

#### LAND IN THE MOVIES

Jan. 25, 7 - 9, Batteries Not Included

#### POPULIST RAGE IN THE 90S

Feb. 15, 7 - 9, Mr. Dennis King

#### POETRY NIGHT

March 8, 7 - 9, Kate Fox &amp; Lindy Davies

#### NEW YORK REAL ESTATE WOES

March 22, 7 - 9, Mr. Louis Smadbeck

### SATURDAY SEMINARS

#### HOW SAFE ARE YOUR SAVINGS?

Feb. 9, 1 - 3, Mr. Robert Albanese &amp;

Richard Barbuto, Esq.

#### ECONOMIC JUSTICE & LAND RIGHTS

March 2, 9:30-4:30, Ms. Alanna Hartzok



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