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Recarving Rushmore
Ranking the Presidents on Peace, Prosperity, and Liberty

2010 Gold Medal, “IPHY” Award Winner

By Ivan Eland

Who were the best and worst U.S. presidents? In the past when historians and scholars have rated the presidents, their evaluations often have been based on individual charisma, activism, and service during periods of crisis.

Taking a distinctly new approach, Ivan Eland profiles each of our presidents on the merits of his policies and the core principles of peace, prosperity, and liberty. This ranking system is based on how effective each president was in fulfilling his oath to uphold the Constitution. Contrary to the preferences of modern conservatives and liberals, this oath was intended to limit the role of the federal government.

Historians and scholars have long tended to respect the war heroes and men who have succeeded in expanding executive power. However, Eland’s analysis offers a ranking that is based purely on accomplishment and adherence to the Founding Fathers’ guidelines for limited government. These rankings will surprise most and enlighten even acknowledged experts on the presidency.

―RICHARD SHENKMAN, Editor, History News Network; author, Presidential Ambition and Legends, Lies, and Cherished Myths of American History

Ivan Eland is Senior Fellow and Director of the Center on Peace and Liberty at the Independent Institute.

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Race and Liberty in America
The Essential Reader
Edited by Jonathan Bean

The history of civil rights in the United States is usually analyzed and interpreted through the lenses of modern conservatism or progressive liberalism. In Race and Liberty in America, Jonathan Bean argues that the historical record does not conveniently fit into either of these categories and that knowledge of the American classical liberal tradition is required to gain a more accurate understanding of the past, present, and future of civil rights in the nation.

By assembling and contextualizing classic documents, from the Declaration of Independence to the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to the 2007 U.S. Supreme Court decision banning school assignment by race, Bean demonstrates that classical liberalism differs from progressive liberalism in emphasizing individual freedom, Christianity, the racial neutrality of the Constitution, and free-market entrepreneurship. Race and Liberty in America is a comprehensive and vital resource for everyone on civil rights and civil liberties.

“Get ready for an intellectual thrill ride. Race and Liberty in America is full of revelations and stunning in its honesty.” —JUAN WILLIAMS, Senior Correspondent, National Public Radio

Jonathan Bean is Professor of History at Southern Illinois University and Research Fellow at the Independent Institute.

The New Holy Wars
Economic Religion vs. Environmental Religion in Contemporary America
By Robert H. Nelson

“Economics and environmentalism are types of modern religions.” So says author Robert H. Nelson in this analysis of the roots of economics and environmentalism and their mutually antagonistic relations in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Questions about the proper relationship between human beings and nature have led to the growth of these public theologies, or secular religions, even while both avoid mentioning their derivation from Western Judeo-Christian sources. So while environmentalists regard human actions to warm the climate, expand human populations, and increase economic growth as immoral challenges to the natural order, economists seek to put all of nature to maximum use for the production of more goods and services and other human benefits.

Nelson interprets such contemporary struggles as battles between the hidden, competing secularized but religious nature of economics and environmentalism. The outcome will have momentous consequences for us all. This in-depth analysis probes beneath the rhetorical surface of these two movements to uncover their fundamental theological commitments and visions.

“It’s a brilliant book, which anyone who cares about the economy or the environment or religion needs to read. That’s most of us.” —DEIRDRE MCCLOSKEY, Distinguished Professor of Economics, History, English, and Communication, University of Illinois at Chicago

Robert H. Nelson is Professor of Public Policy at the University of Maryland, Senior Scholar for the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, and Senior Fellow at the Independent Institute.

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By Arthur A. Ekirch, Jr.
With a new foreword by Robert Higgs

In this acclaimed classic book Arthur Ekirch examines more than two centuries of the American liberal tradition. From the Federalists to Jefferson; from Jacksonian Democracy to the Civil War; from Reconstruction to the Progressive movement to World War II planning; Ekirch covers it all with a keen eye to evaluating the true state of liberty in the U.S. Ekirch argues that liberalism in America was at its strongest during the Revolutionary War and has experienced a long yet bumpy decline ever since. The author makes a compelling case that the country’s future depends upon the popular re-establishment of a worldview based on liberty, peace, and the rule of law.

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—The Nation

Arthur A. Ekirch, Jr. was a leading scholar of American intellectual history and Professor Emeritus of History at the State University of New York, Albany. He was the author of numerous books, including The American Democratic Tradition and Man and Nature in America.


Housing America
Building Out of a Crisis
Edited by Randall G. Holcombe and Benjamin Powell

Although most housing in the U.S. is allocated in the private market, this market is heavily regulated and subsidized. Involving the work of sixteen economists and policy experts, *Housing America* critically examines government policies in the United States and how they impact housing at all levels. This book is the most comprehensive book available on resolving the housing crisis.

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Randall G. Holcombe is Professor of Economics at Florida State Univ.; Benjamin Powell is Assistant Professor of Economics at Suffolk Univ.

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Property Rights
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Edited by Bruce L. Benson

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—*Richard A. Epstein*, James Parker Hall Distinguished Service Professor of Law, University of Chicago

Bruce L. Benson is Distinguished Research Professor at Florida State University.

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The Pursuit of Justice
Law and Economics of Legal Institutions
Edited by Edward J. López
Foreword by Robert D. Tollison

This is a realistic yet hopeful analysis of the legal system and how judges, lawyers, juries, police, forensic experts, and others respond systematically to the incentive structures of legal institutions. While shedding light on adverse outcomes that the law promotes through perverse incentives, each chapter also suggests institutional reforms within the legal system. *The Pursuit of Justice* studies incentives so as to promote a more just and more efficient legal system.

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Edward J. López is Associate Professor of Law and Economics, San Jose State University.

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The Founders' Second Amendment
Origins of the Right to Bear Arms
By Stephen P. Halbrook

Do Americans have a constitutional right to bear arms? Or is this power vested solely in government? Dr. Stephen Halbrook has produced an altogether persuasive analysis that changed thinking on the matter, so that today, even in canonical textbooks, bearing arms is acknowledged as an individual right. The Founders' Second Amendment is a must read for all Americans who value their individual liberty.

“The Founders' Second Amendment is first-rate, utterly convincing, a solid and important work.”
—FORREST McDoNaLD, Distinguished Research Professor Emeritus of History, University of Alabama

Securing Civil Rights
Freedmen, the Fourteenth Amendment, and the Right to Bear Arms (UPDATED EDITION)
By Stephen P. Halbrook

Constitutional legal scholar Stephen P. Halbrook examines the recognition of civil rights, particularly the right to bear arms, in the post-Civil War era. Cited by the Supreme Court in Heller, the book provides a compelling analysis of the significance of the Freedmen's Bureau Act and the application of the Second Amendment and other Bill of Rights guarantees to the States through the Fourteenth Amendment. With the Court set to rule in the McDonald case by the end of June, Securing Civil Rights could not be more timely.

“[T]his is a valuable book that should be useful to those who claim to take the Constitution seriously.”
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That Every Man Be Armed
The Evolution of a Constitutional Right
By Stephen P. Halbrook

That Every Man Be Armed is the authoritative book on the ideas, history, and legal precedent that the citizen’s right to possess arms is as essential to democracy as is freedom of speech. Halbrook traces the origins of the Second Amendment back to ancient Greece and Rome, and then through the “freemen” movement in 18th century England and France. He demonstrates that the Second Amendment was intended to allow possession of firearms both for defense of personal life and property and to prevent government infringement of human liberties.

“Halbrook provides indefatigable research into the Second Amendment, and all serious scholars will eternally be in his debt.”
—SANFORD V. LEVINSON, Professor of Law, University of Texas

Stephen P. Halbrook, a Research Fellow at the Independent Institute, has won three cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.
Most Americans don’t think of their government as an empire, but with more than 700 military bases worldwide, the U.S. holds sway over an area that dwarfs the great empires of world history. Ivan Eland shows that the concept of empire building is contrary to the principles of the founding fathers and delivers a penetrating argument which exposes the imperial motives behind interventionist U.S. policy.

“Dr. Eland makes a persuasive case that current U.S. national security policy is actually undermining our security and civil liberties.”
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Ivan Eland is Senior Fellow and Director of the Center on Peace and Liberty at the Independent Institute.

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“President Obama and his foreign policy experts, as well as anyone interested in an exit strategy from Iraq should read this thoughtful analysis.”
—THOMAS GALE MOORE, Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

“Sixty years ago I wrote ‘We will take no frontiers into space’. Twilight War presents riveting and disturbing evidence that some nations are attempting just that—making the heavens unsafe for us all.”
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"Lessons from the Poor" is infinitely important stuff . . . a valuable and emboldening book." — N A T I O N A L R E V I E W

Alvaro Vargas Llosa is Senior Fellow at the Independent Institute.

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Edited by Benjamin Powell / Foreword by Deepak Lal

Making Poor Nations Rich examines the critical role entrepreneurs, private property rights, and economic freedom play in economic development. The authors demonstrate that pro-market reforms are essential to promoting entrepreneurship that leads to economic growth, and that where this institutional environment is lacking, sustained economic development will remain elusive.

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Benjamin Powell is Assistant Professor of Economics at Suffolk Univ.
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By George Selgin / Foreword by Charles A. E. Goodhart
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George Selgin is Professor of Economics at the University of Georgia.

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Foreword by Mary E. Peters

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By S. Fred Singer / Foreword by Frederick Seitz

Renowned astrophysicist Fred Singer brings readers his intimate familiarity with the scientific literature to shed light on discussions of the climate record; computer models; the effects of clouds, oceans, aerosol cooling, solar variability and greenhouse gases; climate-change mitigation; and more. Singer's masterful analysis decisively shows that the pessimistic, and often alarming, global warming scenarios depicted in the media have no scientific basis. This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to be fully informed about the global warming debate.

"*Hot Talk, Cold Science* carefully reviews global warming and provides a welcome, reasoned assessment." —WILLIAM HAPPER, Professor of Physics, Princeton University

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By Robert Higgs
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Crisis and Leviathan
Critical Episodes in the Growth of American Government
By Robert Higgs
One of the most important books ever written on the nature of government power, this book shows how and why the size and scope of government power has grown in response to crises of war and economic upheavals. Although a crisis eventually subsides, government continues to grow following each crisis. Such increased power usually threatens both civil and economic liberties, all at the behest of special interest groups. Even more alarming, a climate is created in which government power achieves a kind of autonomy. Thus traditional limited representative government goes by the boards and the “passengers now exist for the sake of the ship of state.”

“This book should be high on the reading list of every serious student of the American political system.”
—Political Science Quarterly

Neither Liberty nor Safety
Fear, Ideology, and the Growth of Government
By Robert Higgs
Robert Higgs illustrates the false trade-off between freedom and security by showing how the U.S. government’s economic and military interventions reduced the civil and economic liberties, prosperity, and genuine security of Americans in the twentieth century. Higgs illuminates the government’s manipulation of public opinion and the role that ideologies play in influencing political outcomes and economic performance.

“Neither Liberty nor Safety is an important addition to Robert Higgs’ systematic analysis of the political uses of fear-mongering.”
—Thomas Szasz, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry, State University of New York Health Science Center, Syracuse
For more than a century U.S. foreign policy, whether conducted by liberals or conservatives, has been based on the assumption that Americans’ interests are served best by intervening abroad to secure open markets for U.S. exports, fight potential enemies far from American shores, or engage in democratic nation building. Before the 20th Century, however, a foreign policy of nonintervention was widely considered more desirable. Opposing the Crusader State examines the history of American noninterventionism and its relevance in today’s world, arguing that intervention is not an appropriate “default setting” for U.S. foreign policy.

“Opposing the Crusader State deserves to be widely read and discussed . . . vital, critical . . . thoughtful and articulate.”
—AMBASSADOR EDWARD L. PECK, former Chief of Mission in Iraq

The quest for freedom has always been as much a battle of ideas as it is a popular struggle. The ideas became the intellectual scaffolding for much of humankind’s most fundamental civil institutions and achievements. The Challenge of Liberty restores the ideas and ideals of classical liberalism as the intellectual and cultural roots of free societies regarding individual rights, human dignity, market processes, and the rule of law. This unique book reveals why nationalism, bureaucracy, and de-humanization are foils of classical liberalism, and it examines how they affect issues such as defense, healthcare, education, and commerce.

“This splendid book will be most helpful in restoring the ideas and ideals of liberty.”
—ALEX KOZINSKI, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

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Antitrust and Monopoly
Anatomy of a Policy Failure
By Dominick T. Armentano / Foreword by Yale Brozen

In this breakthrough study, the author thoroughly researches the classic cases in antitrust law and demonstrates a surprising gap between the stated aims of antitrust law and what it actually accomplishes in the real world. Instead of protecting competition, Armentano finds that antitrust law actually protects certain politically-favored competitors. This is an essential work for anyone wishing to understand the limitations and problems of contemporary antitrust actions.

“Antitrust and Monopoly is the single best book-length treatment of this vital public policy issue in print.”
—PUBLIC CHOICE

Dominick T. Armentano is Professor Emeritus of Economics at the University of Hartford.

Entrepreneurial Economics
Bright Ideas from the Dismal Science
Edited by Alexander Tabarrok
Foreword by Steven E. Landsburg

Entrepreneurial Economics is a treasure trove of promising solutions to a vast array of social and economic problems, old and new. Through the novel application of basic economic principles, twenty economists examine such diverse issues as genetic testing, patents, health and wealth insurance, legal gridlock, probation and parole, urban transit, information aggregation, bankruptcy, investor protection, and even the shortage of human organs. Economics has long labored under the misnomer, “the dismal science,” yet this book shows that it is anything but dismal.

“Entrepreneurial Economics displays economic ingenuity at its best.”
—MILTON FRIEDMAN, Nobel Laureate in Economic Science

Alexander Tabarrok is Associate Professor of Economics at George Mason Univ. and Research Director for the Independent Institute.

OF RELATED INTEREST
Anarchy and the Law

The Political Economy of Choice

Edited by Edward P. Stringham

Anarchy and the Law assembles the most important classic and contemporary studies exploring and debating non-state legal and political systems, especially involving the tradition of natural law and private contracts. Should markets and contracts provide law, and can the rule of law itself be understood as a private institution? Whereas liberals and conservatives argue in favor of political constraints, this book examines whether government power should be replaced by self-government based on contracts.

“Finally, a fit rejoinder to people who say, ‘There ought to be a law…””
— P.J. O’Rourke, author, On The Wealth of Nations

Edward P. Stringham is Associate Professor of Economics at Trinity College.

Reclaiming the American Revolution

The Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions and Their Legacy

By William J. Watkins, Jr. / Foreword by Richard N. Rosenfeld

Reclaiming the American Revolution examines the struggles over the use of government power from the early days of the American Republic to the current disputes regarding privacy, civil liberties, and individual rights. Although penned more than 200 years ago, the Resolutions are now more relevant than ever, as the role of government in society is fiercely debated, in light of such controversies as the USA PATRIOT Act, medical marijuana, war powers, and tax authority.

“A thorough, thoughtful, and important study of a significant subject that has been too long neglected.”
— Joyce O. Appleby, Professor of History, UCLA

William J. Watkins, Jr., is a legal scholar specializing in constitutional law and health law and Research Fellow at the Independent Institute.

OF RELATED INTEREST

The Che Guevara Myth and the Future of Liberty

By Alvaro Vargas Llosa

“Brilliant… I am indebted to Alvaro Vargas Llosa, who explains who Che Guevara was.”
— Jeffrey Gedmin, Director, Aspen Institute
The Diversity Myth
Multiculturalism and Political Intolerance on Campus
By David O. Sacks and Peter A. Thiel
Foreword by Elizabeth Fox-Genovese

In the name of “diversity,” many academic and cultural institutions are working to silence dissent and stifle intellectual life. This book exposes the real impact of “multiculturalism” on the institution most closely identified with the “politically correct”—Stanford University. Sacks and Thiel use numerous primary sources to reveal a pattern of politicized classes, housing, budget priorities, and more.

“There’s hardly a better source than this book for learning why multiculturalism on campus cannot work.”
—LINDA CHAVEZ, former Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

David O. Sacks is former Vice President of Product Strategy, and Peter A. Thiel is former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at PayPal, Inc.

Faulty Towers
Tenure and the Structure of Higher Education
By Roger E. Meiners and Ryan C. Amacher

As debate accelerates over declining standards in higher education, academic tenure is viewed with suspicion by many who see it merely as job protection for incompetent teachers. Faulty Towers sets the record straight by elucidating the history, legal status, and common misunderstandings regarding tenure.

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