

## THE SHARON STATEMENT

*"Adopted in Conference at Sharon, Connecticut, September 9-11, 1960."*

IN THIS TIME of moral and political crisis, it is the responsibility of the youth of America to affirm certain eternal truths.

WE, as young conservatives, believe:

That foremost among the transcendent values is the individual's use of his God-given free will, whence derives his right to be free from the restrictions of arbitrary force;

That liberty is indivisible, and that political freedom cannot long exist without economic freedom;

That the purposes of government are to protect these freedoms through the preservation of national order, the provision of national defense, and the administration of justice;

That when government ventures beyond these rightful functions, it accumulates power which tends to diminish order and liberty;

That the Constitution of the United States is the best arrangement yet devised for empowering government to fulfill its proper role, while restraining it from the concentration and abuse of power;

That the genius of the Constitution—the division of powers—is summed up in the clause which reserves primacy to the several states, or to the people, in those spheres not specifically delegated to the Federal Government;

That the market economy, allocating resources by the free play of supply and demand, is the single economic system compatible with the requirements of personal freedom and constitutional government, and that it is at the same time the most productive supplier of human needs;

That when government interferes with the work of the market economy, it tends to reduce the moral and physical strength of the nation; that when it takes from one man to bestow on another, it diminishes the incentive of the first, the integrity of the second, and the moral autonomy of both;

That we will be free only so long as the national sovereignty of the United States is secure; that history shows periods of freedom are rare, and can exist only when free citizens concertedly defend their rights against all enemies;

That the forces of international Communism are, at present, the greatest single threat to these liberties;

That the United States should stress victory over, rather than coexistence with, this menace; and

That American foreign policy must be judged by this criterion: does it serve the just interests of the United States?

IF YOU ARE A YOUNG CONSERVATIVE



# You should be a member of Y.A.F.

NOW—more than ever before—our Nation needs and deserves dynamic political activity on the part of its future leaders. YAF is dedicated to that proposition . . . but it needs your support and active participation.

### FOR EACH Y. A. F. MEMBER...

**THE NEW GUARD.** Each YAF member receives monthly a copy of YAF's official magazine. NEW GUARD's action format underscores national and local political events of importance to conservatives and reports fully on YAF news from every part of the country.

**YAF WASHINGTON REPORT.** Monthly each YAF member receives a special report from the Capitol written from the angle of conservative youth. The Washington Report includes a vote rating of Congress by Americans for Constitutional Action (ACA) to let you know how your Senators and Representatives vote on all key issues.

**YAF YOUNG CONSERVATIVE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE.** Every YAF member has available the services of the national headquarters as a clearing house for part-time or full-time jobs on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. It is hoped that this will soon be expanded to include business and industry employment for young conservatives.

**YAF CAMPAIGN MATERIALS SERVICE.** By special arrangement with the A. G. Trimble Co. of Pittsburgh, YAF offers its members a wide variety of YAF and Goldwater-for-President materials including buttons, bumper stickers, and much more—all at discount prices.

**YAF BOOK SERVICE.** YAF offers a cut-rate book service through which conservative best sellers and hard-to-get books are sold at discount price to YAF members.

### FOR ALL Y. A. F. CHAPTERS...

**YAF SPEAKERS BUREAU.** The national YAF headquarters handles arrangements for obtaining leading conservative speakers for YAF college and community chapters.

**YAF FILM LIBRARY.** National headquarters provides on a sale or rental basis conservative and anti-communist films including the official YAF film, "A Generation Awakes" featuring Senator Barry Goldwater and William F. Buckley, Jr.

**YAF-ON-THE-AIR.** In cooperation with Dean Clarence Manion national YAF distributes a special YAF-Manion Forum weekly radio taps suitable for YAF sponsorship on college or local radio stations. This free service features the outstanding public figures heard on the Manion Forum.

**SPECIAL YAF "HOT LINE" SERVICE.** National YAF coordinates nationwide political action on a "crash" basis including picketing, demonstrations, letter writing and petition campaigns. The "Hot Line" is YAF's means of activating its chapters on a 24-hour basis.

**YAF "HOW TO" SERVICE.** YAF national headquarters provides all chapters with complete information on "how to" raise funds, organize, get publicity, hold rallies, and more.

# Young Americans For Freedom, Inc.

THE  
Y.A.F. RECORD

YOUNG AMERICANS FOR FREEDOM was founded at Sharon, Conn. Sept. by 100 conservative student leaders. has more than 320 college, high school and community chapters with over 20,000 members in every State.

IN 1962 on the night of March 7th the most significant gathering of conservatives recent U.S. history as 18,500 people gathered in Madison Square Garden in N.Y.C. to hear Senators Goldwater, Thurmond and Barry Goldwater predict a "wave of conservatism" would triumph in America. YAF gained national attention by suing the U.S. State Dept. for its refusal to grant a visa for President of Katanga who had been invited to attend the 1962 National Conservative Convention in Indianapolis, Ind., Columbus, Ohio, and County, N.Y., and Phoenix, Ariz. Yale staged a 55-mile hike to Groton, Conn. in support of the Polaris nuclear submarine program. . . .

In the 1962 elections local conservatives went all out in support of conservative candidates in both parties. . . . In New York, worked in 17 races and in 7 YAF members ran for office. . . . Indiana YAF members supported the Polaris nuclear submarine program. . . . Montana YAFers ranged over 100 miles backing Rep. Jim Battin. . . . Florida YAFers boosted candidates like Rep. Jim Ivey. . . . Texas YAF fought hard for Jack C. Danforth. . . . this YAF political action committee repeated all over the nation. . . . Cuban crisis YAF staged a mass protest in White House in support of the President's "strong stand" . . . and when Cuban policy was exposed, YAF joined the Committee for the Monroe Doctrine, a truly effective anti-Communist Cuba YAF delegates at the Helsinki Youth Conference proposed pro-Red leanings of Festival or publishing a three-language newspaper. . . . The First Annual YAF Convention held in September and officers elected.

These are only the highlights of our YAF accomplishments. We invite you to join part of this great cause by joining the largest and fastest growing conservative organization—YOUNG AMERICANS FOR FREEDOM.

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**“ For the American  
CONSERVATIVE  
there is no difficulty in identifying  
the overriding political challenge  
of our day. It is  
To Preserve and Extend  
FREEDOM ”**

**Senator Barry Goldwater**



**“ We are being caught up  
in a sense of Conservatism  
that could easily become  
the political phenomenon  
of our time ”  
SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER  
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**HOW CAN I SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEW GUARD?**

*A one year subscription to the NEWGUARD is \$4.00. Check the appropriate place on the membership application and enclose your check or money order. YAF members will receive the NEW GUARD automatically each month at no additional cost as part of their dues payment.*

**HOW CAN I ORGANIZE A YAF CHAPTER?**

*If you are interested in starting a YAF chapter in your community or on your college campus, write to the Executive Secretary at the national office and you will besent a copy of our organizational manual and other material to aid you in forming a chapter.*

**FOR THOSE ABLE TO GIVE.....**

*National YAF is in urgent need of funds. Because of our increased activity in establishing a YAF chapter on every college and university campus our treasury is at a low ebb. Our work with other young Americans is necessarily limited to the amount of contributions we receive from our friends--will you help?  
Send your contributions in any amount to the national office today.*

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