

F.A. HAYEK HONORED THREE TIMES

1. West Perth Building Named “Hayek House”

John Hyde, John Corser & Ron Manners, the 3 directors of the Mannkal Foundation, pictured in front of the newly names Hayek House.



2. Brisbane Birthday Party for the Late F.A. Hayek

[Click Here for the Brisbane dinner.](#)

3. From Tolkien to Hayek and Back

Tim Gillin writes:

The great Peter Jackson movie adaption of J.R.R Tolkien’s LORD OF THE RINGS has been doing great guns in cinemas around the world. Tolkien of course was a devout Christian, arch-conservative and opposed to authoritarian and arbitrary power of any sort.

This recent article at the Acton Society site discusses Tolkien’s opposition to centralised state power. This theme has been discussed elsewhere in more detail. This article by William Stoddard for example discusses Tolkien view of decentralised power and finds connections with the anarchic society of old Iceland and the “distributivist” ideas of G.K. Chesterton and Belloc. (There is a critique of Distributivism here)

The author is however unaware that Tolkien attended the same school as Hillaire Belloc whose 1912 book THE SERVILE STATE inspired **F.A.Hayek** to write his classic ROAD TO SERFDOM written during WW2. Hayek of course influenced Milton Friedman, whose son, David Friedman finds some inspiration in old Iceland for his preferred anarcho-capitalism.

Tolkien was of course an expert on Northern languages, including Icelandic, and Anglo-Saxon culture. His work was an attempt to imaginatively “rediscover” the “lost” mythology of Anglo-saxon England prior to 1066 and the imposition of “the Norman Yoke”. In a sense he was the first Euro-skeptic!

It is well known that Tolkien converted C.S. Lewis back to Christianity. The core of Tolkien’s Lord of the Rings is however not politics or economics but “the Christian virtues”. When you explore the dates for Frodo’s departure from “The Shire” to the climax of the adventure, you discover the story begins on Christmas Day and finishes on Good Friday (although I am sure other Tolkien fans may disagree on this!).

This longish (15 page) biography of Tolkien is one of the best on the web.

I N V I T A T I O N

TO A CELEBRATORY BIRTHDAY DINNER

To celebrate the birthday
of
The Late Nobel Prize Winner for Economics
F.A. HAYEK
& several of his Australian "Students"



Photo by RBM Berlin 1982

F.A. Hayek is described as "THE COMEBACK MAN" in the March 4, 2004 edition of *The Economist*.

"In 1974 Hayek won the Nobel prize for economics. The theoretical idea he was proudest of __that only markets, not governments, could gather and disperse price knowledge effectively__ helped inspire a wave of deregulation and privatization. His chief political idea__that free markets and political liberty were indissociable__lent strength to the revival of classical liberalism. By his death in 1992, Hayek had joined Milton Friedman and Robert Nozick as one of the three theoretical godfathers of the Thatcher-Reagan revolution."

Read article in full http://www.economist.com/books/PrinterFriendly.cfm?Story_ID=2478223

Sat. 1st May, 2004

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Moreton Room, Holiday Inn, Roma St. **BRISBANE** Qld (next to Transit Centre)

\$85 per person

(Includes Meal, Drinks & GST)



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I/We will be attending the Hayek Birthday Party

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