



Libertarian Lines

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Campaign Update Plus Petitioning

**Governor:
Richard Kahn of Hudson**



Mr. Kahn has made eminent domain abuse, health care and education the three primary foci of his campaign.

**US House, district 1:
Dan Belforti of Portsmouth**



Mr. Belforti is making Retirement Security, The Environment and Tax Reform the big issues of his campaign.

**US House, district 2:
Chester Lapointe of Concord**

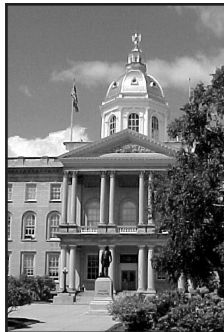


Mr. Lapointe is highlighting Homeland Security, Taxes, Social Security, Immigration and the War on Drugs as major issues of his campaign.

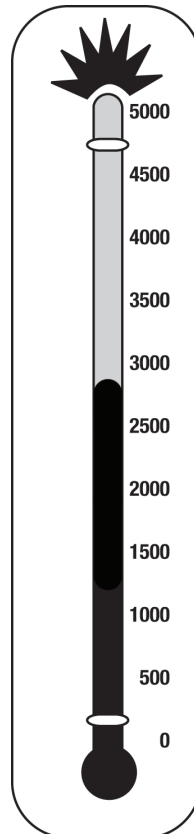
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We also have about a dozen state rep candidates. All of the nominees look forward to support from our members and allies in gathering petitions to get on the ballot and move forward to victory on election day next November. You can download petitions for our candidates at www.RichKahn.org

The campaigns have been active. We've arranged an appearance in the 4th of July parade in Merrimack for Rich Kahn and the Lapointe campaign has been busy fundraising, picking up thousands of dollars in pledges and contributions.



Petitioning is ahead of where it's been in several years. We have about 2800 raw petitions collected, out of the 5000 we need. Thank you to everyone who has been collecting. We have more to



do. Summer is traditionally a bad time to petition, so we need to get to work to get it done as soon as possible.

We are asking again - we need you (yes, you) to petition. We asked for help on town election day, and a few of you came out, but not enough, and again for Merrimack and Hooksett elections, where we collected a few hundred more. We need more of our members out there collecting signatures for our candidates. If everyone reading this would collect just 10 good signatures, we would be done. In fact, you could canvas your neighborhood this weekend, turn them in, and be happy that you did your part to get our candidates on the ballot.

If you absolutely can't petition for your party, send in a donation, because if our members don't collect petitions we will have to bring in paid petitioners like we did last time. We do not want to do this, as the results were less than stellar, but we will if we have to. So please do your part and sign up to collect signatures for our team.

**It has been
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LEGISLATION WATCH

It has been the year of a thousand bills in Concord. Many of which will have an impact on freedom and on elections here in the Granite State. You can look up current legislation at www.generalcourt.org

The LPNH has been working to influence the general court. In particular, we are pushing for election reforms and restrictions on eminent domain. If there is a bill you would like help along, please contact your representative, or contact the LPNH executive board.

The more you, our members, get involved, the more influence we will have. We have a citizen legislature, let us make the most of it.

Our best shot at ballot access reform, HB1385, was defeated in the House. We're still looking into what happened here as all the testimony was in favor and it was a less radical reform than previous bills heard this year.

HB203 - The RFID labeling bill was amended in the senate to form a study committee. While not a total defeat, it does mean more work to illustrate the potential dangers of this technology.

HB406, the homeschooling paperwork reduction bill, is now law!

HB1577, the mandatory smoking ban in all restaurants was defeated! Citizen activists went against an entrenched lobbyist front and won!

SB268, raising the mandatory school attendance age to 18 was defeated!

HB1582, keeping NH out of the Real ID Act passed the house and is on it's way through the Senate. The LPNH has joined the coalition supporting this bill. More at www.granitestateid.com

HB626, making some bad changes to the Right to Know law, was referred to committee in the Senate, and amended. There's still a chance for us to kill it if the amendment doesn't fix it.

A Full Slate for the Free State

**By Jim Perry,
volunteer coordinator**

My fellow libertarians,

I am putting together a plan called "Project Full-Slate for the Free State." This is an aggressive project to run a full slate of Libertarian candidates for each level of public office including State Representative, State Senator, Executive Council, Governor, and U.S. Representative.

In order to have a full slate of Libertarians, we need at least one candidate for each of the 103 State Representative districts, one candidate for each of the 24 State Senate districts, one candidate for each of the 5 Executive Council seats, one candidate for Governor, and one candidate for each of the two U.S. Representative seats.

The more candidates the LPNH runs the better all of them do, especially those at the top of the ticket. The more times a voter sees a Libertarian option, the more comfortable they are voting Libertarian in general.

A larger number of Libertarian candidates also helps with outreach, membership growth, gaining volunteers, earning more media attention and everything else a party needs.

If you are interested in running for one of these offices, please call or write me. My telephone number is 689-3165 and my email address is jcperry@lpmh.org.

Even if you cannot commit to run a full campaign, it would be a great help to at least give people the Libertarian option on their ballot for each level of public office. And just think – if you run, you'll finally be able to vote for someone you agree with on 100% of the issues!

If you do not live in NH or can't run for office, please pass the word along to anyone you know who may be interested.



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From The Editor

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Just as our forefathers created a new nation out of the old, so must we create a new party...

The same old methods will not get us the results we want. It is time for a change, a time for something new.... We are asking you now to join the new "1776 Club" To join the club, just pledge at least \$17.76 per month to the LPNH. If you like, we'll

even recognize you on our website and in the newsletter.

Club members will get a special event at our conventions. And all club members pledging for a full year will be granted a free ticket to our state convention. You may also become a life member of the "1776 Club" for a one time contribution of \$1776 or more, and get a 50% discount on all LPNH events and merchandise.

Promote Liberty!
Join the club today at www.lpnh.org

News from the Executive Board

- The national LP has released an exit strategy for Iraq. You can read it online at www.lp.org
- We have major work to do for 2006, your help is vital to our success. Please volunteer.
- John Babiarz was interviewed on the Alex Jones radio show about the situation in Weare and the various bills in Concord to curb the use of Eminent Domain.
- Chat Lapointe and Rich Kahn were both interviewed on WNTK after filing their candidate papers, and we also got coverage in the Union Leader.
- We have a new website! Go visit LPNH.ORG and check out the new look.

Tell It To the Judge

The LPNH will be in court suing the state of New Hampshire on two election matters.

First, we are co-plaintiffs with the Democrat Party on the ballot placement of parties and candidates. Currently state law always puts the Republicans first and the candidates in alphabetical order, giving candidates whose names come at the beginning of the alphabet a small advantage each election. We want to change that to have a randomized start to the list to even out the advantage for each candidate.

Second, we are co-plaintiffs with the Constitution Party and the Committee for Fair and Open Elections to overthrow the discriminatory ballot access laws here in the state. As you are all hopefully aware, the law treats independents and minor party candidates as second-class citizens when it comes to getting on the ballot. We have a pretty good case that this is unconstitutional. After all, what's so special about being a Republican or a Democrat that they should play by different rules than the rest of us?

Copies of the filings and briefs are available, please contact party chair John Babiarz.

We are still awaiting court dates. When we get them, we want as many people as possible to pack the Supreme Court chamber. Let the judges know we are watching them and that the people care about the outcome of these decisions.

Let the judges know we are watching them

2006 LPNH STATE CONVENTION

Saturday, October 28th – Red Blazer Restaurant, Concord, NH



Representative Neal Kurk



Senator Peter Burling



Chuck Douglas

We're planning an exciting day of fantastic speakers, workshops, information and more. The event will be at the Red Blazer on Saturday, October 28th.

Our luncheon speakers will be Representative Neal Kurk and Senator Peter Burling. Both were leaders in their respective chambers for pushing HB1582, to keep New Hampshire out of Real ID. Our dinner keynote speaker will be former state supreme court justice and congressman Chuck Douglas, who has been spearheading the effort to pass the constitutional amendment to limit eminent domain.

Our afternoon program will include a forum on homeschooling and presentations by our candidates. We will also have our annual business meeting which will include elections for the entire executive board and awarding the libertarian of the year (the board is currently taking nominations). Remember you must be an active member as of September 28 to be a voting delegate to the convention and a member for 1 year to be on the executive board.

Believing that voluntary action is best for charity, we will also be collecting non-perishable food to donate to a local soup kitchen or food pantry to help needy families during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Some of our members, for various reasons, are not able to afford the convention, we are asking if you would like to make an extra contribution to help support a few members who would like to attend.

Registration opens at 10:30, Lunch is at 11:30, Kurk and Burling start at Noon, Dinner is served at 6:00, and Douglas' speech starts at 7:00.

We're asking everyone to please pre-register, with the form on page 5, or on the web, to ensure their place. We reserved a large room but cannot guarantee availability at the door.

WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING



Recent developments which affect your life:

The Fed will stop publishing how much money they're printing. The M3 report will cease to be released this month. Also reported, enough paper to print up two trillion federal reserve notes this year. Um, hello, can anyone say runaway inflation?

Congress passed the RealID Act. Nationalizing drivers' license standards and requiring massive data sharing among government agencies. It was glogged on to a military appropriations bill.

Airline passengers soon will be asked to provide their full names and birth dates when they buy tickets, information the government says it needs for a new computerized screening system. The Bush administration is moving ahead with plans to implement the "Secure Flight" system, despite the system failing to meet 9 of the 10 guidelines established by congress.

FedEx has become a willing partner to the US federal police establishment, turning over names, addresses, credit card info and lists of when and where customers send and receive packages. FedEx has gone further than any other company, granting US Customs inspectors access to the company's database of international shipments, including names and address of shippers, package origin and destination, credit card information and payment details, all things the US government is not entitled to outside of a criminal investigation. "Our guys just love it," says one senior Customs official.

The UK is putting RFID chips on license plates, and the US authorities are salivating to do so here. Our gov't does use them to "gauge highway speeds". Can you imagine if every single car was forced to have an RFID transponder that can be read up to 300 feet away?

LPNH Candidates List

Libertarians running for office (state or local) and their supporters can share info and strategy at LPNH_Candidates@ yahoo. groups.com

NH Libertarians Mailing list

A list for NH Libertarians to discuss news, issues, politics and ideas. It's already the second largest NH political yahoo group! <nhl libertarians@ yahoo. groups.com>

NH Liberty Alliance

The first broad-based pro-liberty PAC in NH. Join them in promoting liberty in the electoral and legislative arenas. <www. nhliberty.org>

Campus Libertarians, Advisors & Supporters

The new (and vastly improved) www. CampusLP.org is taking shape in a big way! The site includes discussion forums, events calendar, chat rooms, a downloads area with ready-to-print posters, and more!

Northeast LP Discussion

A discussion list for LP Region 1-East (New England, NY, NJ). Voice your concerns and opinions at LP_1E@ yahoo. groups.com

Free State New Hampshire

Share your insights, news, events. Meet the porcupines and let out-of-state friends know about it. <freedom_in_new_hampshire@ yahoo. groups.com>

----- cut out and mail registration form -----

LPNH 2004 Convention Registration Form

Saturday, October 28 – Red Blazer in Concord

Package	Early-bird Price	After Oct 2	
Full Day	\$65	\$75	# _____
Dinner & Keynote	\$50	\$60	# _____
Keynote Only	\$20	\$30	# _____
Lunch Program	\$30	\$40	# _____
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Meal Options:

Prime Rib # _____

Pastry Baked Chicken w/Cranberry Orange Glaze # _____

Baked Stuffed Haddock # _____

Mail to: LPNH, P.O. Box 5293, Manchester, NH 03108
or call 1-800-559-LPNH

**You can
make it
happen.**

Volunteers Needed!

If you can help with anything, please let us know. As we stated before, we're a volunteer organization and things only happen when people roll up their sleeves and get busy. Contact Jim Perry (jcperry@lpmh.org) for the latest list of projects and to share your expertise. Remember, this Party is as effective as you make it.

Petitioning

This is job number one right now. The sooner we are done petitioning, the sooner we can share with the voters the great news that they have a Libertarian choice in November. It doesn't take much, even 25 petitions from you will make all the difference. So start collecting now, even canvassing your neighborhood will be a huge help.

Elections

Town elections are past, so now we have to support a full slate of state candidates for November 2006. Tons of opportunity for you to help with fundraising, media, organizing, you name it. In order to elect Libertarians, you need to get their name and message in front of the voters. If we do well enough in 2006, that means a Libertarian presidential primary in 2008! (and no more petitioning!) You can make that happen.

Membership Growth

The membership committee needs help with contacting prospects and lapsed members. Plus we are also searching for premiums to offer all our members. If you think growing membership is a good idea for the party, please volunteer or send in a donation.

Fundraising

We have some good ideas for fundraisers, but not enough people to act on them. We need one or two members to spearhead some fundraising efforts so we can have the resources we need to be more effective.

LPNH Summer Social & Cookout

COME ONE COME ALL!!

Where: 20 Dream Lake Dr., Amherst, NH 03031

When: Sunday, June 11, 2006 10:00 AM (Rain or Shine)

Cost: \$5.00 per person

RSVP: rkeiper@lpmh.org (603) 673-0777 *2

Bring your lawn chairs and party hats for a day of fun and frivolity. If you have a canoe or kayak, bring that too, as we're right on a lake. You can talk to the candidates, discuss the issues of the day, participate in the Executive Board meeting, play games or just relax in the shade, it's up to you. Just be sure to mark your calendar and come. Friendly dogs and children are also welcome.



Membership Committee Reformed

After a lull in activity, the executive board has reformed the membership committee with the charge of bringing back old members and recruiting new members. The first effort will be mailing and outreach to expired members and more direct contact with current members.

The current membership committee is: Cathleen Converse, Don Converse, Philip Hodson, Rhonda Keiper, and Rich Tomasso.

LPNH Membership Options

As a reminder, your LPNH and LP-US memberships are separate. We left the Unified Membership Plan last year. This is a return to separate state and national memberships. Renewing your membership with national does not renew your state membership, and vis versa.

You can update your contact information and renew online at www.lpmh.org/join.htm or by calling 431-1618, or return the form on the back page of the newsletter.

In addition to the family membership option (\$40 per year for you, your spouse and/or children), and the monthly pledger program, (\$10/month or more, never have to worry about expiring), we have created a new student membership level for the LPNH.

Full-time students may join the party for only \$10 per year. That includes an electronic version of the newsletter and all the privileges that come with being a card-carrying Libertarian (students may get the print version of the newsletter by joining at the full \$25/year level).

We are working on creating membership premiums. If your business or organization would like to participate in this program, please contact the executive board.

Your membership dollars will be going to affect positive change in NH. We'll be using our resources to lobby for legislation, elect our candidates, grow the Party and for other political causes.

Form Your County Affiliate

To build a more effective organization, we want to form county affiliates within the LPNH. It will facilitate more local contact and political activity.

Organizing a county is easier than a state. It's easier to reach everyone and find a suitable meeting place and probably most people are in the local calling area. The LPNH already has provisions for recognizing Affiliates, you just need a group of 5 members in a county to form the organization and present your bylaws to the Exec Board. Jim Perry, 2nd district vice chair, will personally help any group wanting to organize their county.

Join a group today.

Start one yourself!

Organizational help and speakers
are available.

Hillborough Libertarians

Our first county affiliate! A discussion list has been set up to bring the local members together, Hillsborough-LPNH@yahoo.com

Merrimack Libertarians

Chet Lapointe invites folks in Concord and the rest of Merrimack County to form our second affiliate.

Monadnock Libertarians

James Maynard invites libertarians in Keene and the rest of Cheshire county to work for Liberty. They are presently working on organizing a county affiliate. For more information, please visit <www.monadnocklibs.org>, or e-mail monadnocklibs@keenenh.us

Seacoast Libertarians

Brendan Kelly of Seabrook has started a group for libertarians in the Seacoast area. Contact him at 474-8283 or bkelly@lpmh.org to join in.

Candidate CD Available

By George Phillies

George Phillies and Bonnie Scott have prepared a candidate support CD-ROM. This disk contains almost 20 Megs of material, including sets of web pages, video clips, handouts, and advice articles. No matter whether you are running for local office, trying to set up a county or town organization, raising money, or petitioning, the CD has information you can use.

The disk is available to all libertarian candidates by request to George Phillies, 508-754-1859 or phillies@4liberty.net (your paper-mail address is needed). The disk is free, but donations to support distribution costs will be appreciated.

Please make checks payable to the Liberty Congressional PAC, and include your name, address, occupation and employer. Donations are not tax deductible.

Upcoming Events

Every Wednesday

Freedom Forum discussion group at
Borders in Nashua,
7pm to 9pm. <ff.ijaq.net>

Every Friday

Left, Right & Correct with Dan Belforti,
106.1FM at 11am and Noon.

Sunday, June 11

LPNH Summer cookout in Amherst,
10am to 5pm.
Executive Board meeting at 1pm.

June 24

LPNH presentation at PorcFest in Lancaster.
Volunteers needed for display table.

June 30

NH Liberty Dinner,
at the Derryfield in Manchester.
More at www.nhliberty.org

July 1-2

LP national convention in Portland, Oregon.

July 4

Independence Day.
Parade in Merrimack with Rich Kahn.

July 8

CNHT Picnic at Hopkinton Fairgrounds.
More info at www.cnht.org

July 9

LPNH monthly meeting, 1pm to 3pm
at Holiday Inn in Concord.

October 28

LPNH state convention.
Red Blazer in Concord.

Join us at the
LPNH State Convention!

Info and registration form on pages 4 & 5.



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