

The New Jersey LIBERTARIAN

Laidback General Picnic Meeting... With A Few Surprises! Members Vote: DOUBLE SIZE OF NJLP!

July 5 was a hot day, but there was a pool in the side yard of Len and Ginny Flynn's house. You could measure the water's depth in inches, but if you got really hot you could push a kid aside and dunk your feet.

We were there for the annual picnic and general meeting. Members and guests sipped on various kinds of cool drinks and compared politically-incorrect teeshirts and buttons. A dozen or so kids played or picked berries for the picnic table. In the cool and shady house the Steering Committee met.

Then they moved outside and Chair **Spencer Layman** called the general meeting to order. In this case, "order" meant only a step away from chaos, for we were seated on lawn chairs or on the grass, and the kids continued to wander through the crowd.

Business proceeded (see secretary's report on page 4), with a few delays as vintage airplanes roared at low altitude overhead, or as people moved from sun to shade, or stepped to the table or barbecue for more eats. During election of our delegate to the national platform committee, a couple took out new memberships so they could vote.

It was all lowkey and friendly. Then, as we prepared to wind it up, **Doug Stoxen** got permission to speak. In a quiet voice (twice someone asked him to speak up) he proposed that the New Jersey Libertarian Party (1) set goals for its yearly operations (something that apparently never happened before), and (2) adopt as the first goal to increase its membership by 100% in the coming year.

The measure passed with only a few dissenting votes.

Fasten your seatbelts, folks...

The Picnic/General Meeting Scene: In middle left, Stefanelli stands to explain his treasurer's report. At right, Karlan grins, grateful that he no longer has to chair events; further to the right, Stoxen starts walking around photographer and reappears at far left, approaching the wishing well where Layman soaks up some shade. Inset: Teeshirts speak for liberty.



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Minute by minute

These are the minutes of the NJLP State Committee for Earthdate June 20, 1993

Secretary Emerson Ellett recording...

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m., at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Somerset. Present: Layman, Flynn, Ellett, Stefanelli, Paff, Stoxen, Karlan, Peters, Quarles, Konek (for Enterline), Aviles (for Glat-ter) and Wiessmann. Also present: Mike Pierone and Floyd Jones. Absent: Hill, Roselle and Eden.

The minutes of the Steering Committee meeting of May 16, 1993, were accepted, and the treasurer's report was received. The Chair asked members to urge their state senators, who are scheduled to vote June 21 on the calling of a Constitutional Convention, to vote No.

New Business

Forfeiture. RESOLVED: that the State Committee ask each County Committee to obtain copies of the most recent quarterly forfeiture reports filed by their county prosecutor, discuss them at a county committee meeting, and develop an action plan to be presented to the Sept., 1993, State Committee meeting. PASSED.

RESOLVED: that the Secretary transmit a copy of this resolution to State Committee members absent from the June 20 meeting. PASSED. Layman volunteered to coordinate this effort.

County Committee Reports:

Bergen. No report.

Camden/Gloucester. A profitable beer & beef gathering was held.

Cumberland and Hudson. No report.

Mercer. The group ran an OPH booth at the community college. There is a newsletter, and a BBQ was held at Grindlinger's.

Middlesex. Officers were

recently elected. There is an active letters-to-the-editor campaign. A forfeiture presentation will be given to the Freeholders. A fund-raising letter has gone out, and a cable TV project is being worked on. **Gene Burns** has been invited to speak at Rutgers. OPH's are planned, as is a Libertarian Club at Rutgers. Curfew cards are being distributed.

Monmouth. A forfeiture presentation to the Freeholders, May 27, was covered by two newspapers. The group ran an OPH booth at the Perot rally, and a booth is planned for the County Fair, July 21-25. Second Amendment flyers were distributed at a militia muster. A "meet the candidates" night is scheduled Sept. 12, and an expanded letters-to-the-editor campaign is under way. The county party publishes a newsletter. **Morris/Essex.** The group plans to call everyone on the prospect list. Four Seminar I's per year are scheduled. A forfeiture debate between John Paff and the prosecutor is in the works.

Salem. The recently reorganized party plans to run an OPH booth, July 9-11. A forfeiture resolution will be presented to the Freeholders. An auction raised \$310. Public bulletin boards in supermarkets and other locations are being inventoried for outreach. A multi-county newsletter is being considered. Thanks to Mike Pierone, the county's voting list is now in usable form; volunteers are being sought to look up voters' phone numbers.

Somerset. Activists are developing a presence at municipal meetings by making presentations on libertarian topics.

Sussex. There has been an exchange of letters to the editor reflecting favorably on the party. The county has been divided into zones for sign planting, literature distribution, etc. Press coverage equal to that of the dominant party has been promised. **Publicity Committee.** The ad hoc chair is Floyd Jones; call him at 609-854-2539.

Gubernatorial campaign. Pierone will manage Kaplan's campaign through July 5. He will work with Jones on developing a press kit; the counties will schedule events. August 9 is the deadline to place a consolidated order for signs; Wiessmann has a supplier who charges about \$1 per sign in lots of 1000; phone him for details. Send campaign contributions to: Kaplan for Governor '93, 45 Stonewall Dr., Livingston, NJ 07039. (Include information required by law, including employer's [if any] name and address.)

'94 State Convention. Grindlinger is interested in helping to plan the event, though not as chair.

Data/Communications. RESOLVED: that the NJLP purchase a Big Mouth voice package to replace the current board at a price not to exceed \$200. PASSED.

Software modifications that will permit users to browse the database by county and surname will be in effect by August 31. Karlan is able to print mailing labels for inquiry packages. Pierone will phone Roselle about creating and situating a BBS. The 800 number is now available 24 hours a day. Karlan will ask Flynn's permission to advertise the picnic on voice mail using Flynn's phone number for directions.

Membership. Pierone is organizing three counties: Bergen, July 8; Ocean, July 20; Passaic, date to be determined.

Fund-raising. A fund-raising letter was referred to the Chair.

Cable TV. Layman's listings by county were distributed. Counties are to contact stations about airing **Shad Woolley's** libertarian show on the public access channel. Ellett volunteered to coordinate the effort.

Meeting schedule. RESOLVED: that NJLP State and Steering Committee meetings be held the third Sunday of the month from July to December, 1993. PASSED. There will be no July meeting. Next meeting will be August 15, at 1 p.m., location to be announced.

OPH. Bill Dundas and Pierone are developing an electronic booth. RESOLVED: that the NJLP reimburse **Laura Stewart** \$228.61 for expenses.

PASSED. RESOLVED: that the NJLP pay the \$50 vendor fee for a booth at the Brandywine Mountain Music Convention, Salem county.

PASSED. Policy regarding state reimbursement of vendor fees in organized counties was deferred.

National LP Membership Statistics. Karlan distributed a report showing a 56% increase in NJLP membership since January 31, 1991.

FLJA. Pierone announced that an organizational meeting will be held August 22. The Juror's Rights proclamation signed by the governor last year was only for 1992; it will be auctioned at the picnic. A 1993 proclamation will be sent to the governor. Counties are urged to order

leaflets now from Fully Informed Juror Association, P.O. Box 59, Helmsville, MT 59843, in order to be ready for distribution on Juror's Rights Day, Sept. 5.

Phone Tree Form. RESOLVED: that the NJLP adopt the telephone tree form (presented by Stoxen) for use throughout the state, and that the secretary send a copy to county representatives not present. PASSED.

Cuba Independent and Democratic. Aviles announced that there will be a CID rally in Perth Amboy, July 3-5, and that volunteers are needed. He has been invited to speak. RESOLVED: that Aviles be authorized to state that the NJLP supports the establishment of a constitutional republic in Cuba with democratically elected representatives. PASSED.

Voter registry lists. Stoxen reported that lists are available from registrars for a price. Karlan will present the idea of purchasing said lists to NATCOM.

Ballot access. H.R. 1755, the Fair Elections Act of 1993, is a good bill nationally. Pierone will inquire whether it would supersede NJ's current signature requirements, which are lower than those proposed by the bill.

Term limits. RESOLVED: that the State Committee of the NJLP support term limits.

FAILED. RESOLVED: that the question of term limits be referred to the General Meeting, July 5. PASSED.

Pierone will write an article in favor of term limits for the *NJ Libertarian*.

LIBPAC. As of 4/1/93, there was \$2,074.17 in the account.

Stationery. Hinkle and Stefanelli are designing tractor-feed letterhead.

Budget. Paff proposed changing the present non-binding budget to a binding budget, with budget lines for each project, e.g., OPH. A bylaws change would be required.

Constitution. A police academy manual will be obtained, to determine how much of the Constitution is being taught to rookie officers.

Lending Library. Thanks to Steve Enterline, we now have an almost complete set of *Freeman* magazine for the years 1969 through 1992.

Announcement. Candidates Joe Ponzcek and Scott Derby will introduce Joe Clark at "A Salute to Joe Clark" gathering of Taxpayers United, (Box 206, Delmont, NJ, 08314), on July 31 at 6:30 p.m. at Gia's Suburban House, Bridgeton. Tickets are \$20. Phone 609-785-1859 for information..

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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The 1990 National Libertarian Party Platform on Women's Rights states: "Recognizing that each person must be the sole and absolute owner of his or her own body, we support the right of women to make a personal choice regarding the termination of pregnancy."

We, the undersigned women and mothers of the New Jersey LP, support the position of the Libertarian Party.

Ginny Flynn	Rita Zeldin	Jean Drake
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Claudia Montelione	Diedre Maiullo	Lucille Bender

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ABORTION: In Harmony or In Conflict With the Rest of the Libertarian Party Platform?

For a copy of this new LFL publication, send SASE. Complete literature packet on abortion, aggression, and parental obligation, \$3.00. Questions welcome.

Libertarians for Life

13424 Hathaway Drive
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Doris Gordon, National Coordinator

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Minute by minute, Parts II & III

*These are the minutes of the NJLP Steering Committee and General Meeting for Earthdate July 5, 1993
Secretary Emerson Ellett recording...*

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m. at the Flynn's house. Present: Layman, Flynn, Ellett, Stefanelli, Aviles, Grindlinger and Stoxen. Absent: Paff. Also present were Karlan, L. Eden and several other members. **County level of activity reports.** All organized counties have demonstrated the level of activity required by the bylaws, except Bergen, Camden/Gloucester and Hudson. **RESOLVED:** that the Steering committee recommend to

the General Meeting that recognition of Bergen county be withdrawn. **PASSED** unanimously. **RESOLVED:** that Hudson county be placed on probation until the November, 1993, General Meeting, at which time recognition will be withdrawn unless progress is reported at the September, 1993, meeting. **PASSED** unanimously. **RESOLVED:** that Camden/Gloucester be placed on probation until the November, 1993, General Meeting at

which time recognition will be withdrawn unless progress is reported at the September, 1993, State Committee meeting. **PASSED** unanimously. **Notice to candidates.** All candidates are urged to obtain a copy of the NJ Election Reform Act (if you have the original, be sure to get the new additions, which make some interesting changes, including, according to Stoxen, the requirement that donations to candidates be accompanied with not only the

donor's name but also mandatory is employer's name). To request a copy, call Legislative Services at 800-729-8630.

Kaplan for Governor campaign. Stefanelli is the campaign's treasurer. Salem county has raised \$275 for signs. Salem is planning a Kaplan/Irv Homer/NRA event in September. Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Minutes of the NJLP General Meeting of July 5, 1993.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Flynn's yard. Present were about 50 adult members and visitors.

The minutes of the June 20, 1993, State Committee meeting were unavailable. The treasurer's report was received. There are currently 496 members, versus 350 a year ago.

Chair's remarks. By September, there will be a coordinated state-county plan addressing the forfeiture issue. We are also distributing our libertarian cable TV program throughout New Jersey. (This is an outstanding opportunity to appear on camera; candidates and others should contact Layman to arrange a guest appearance.) Other highlights of the past few months were Kaplan's speech at the Perot rally, and the chair's address in Trenton against a Constitutional Convention. Our letters to the editor are reaching the public; Sussex county has had success with radio advertising.

Selection of delegates to the national convention. Eliza-

beth Macron and Lou Stefanelli were selected. There remain three (3) vacancies; anyone interested should phone Layman by July 25, before the credentials committee meets.

National platform committee. We are entitled to one member. Macros was elected. **County activity reports.**

RESOLVED: that the membership withdraw its recognition of Bergen county. **PASSED.** **RESOLVED:** that the membership place Hudson and Camden/Gloucester counties on probation until the November, 1993, General Meeting unless progress has been reported by the September State Committee meeting. (At this point, **James Blakey** of Gloucester county presented a report that showed that Gloucester is very active; it has three Freeholder candidates, holds successful fund raisers, and has made numerous contacts with the public. **RESOLVED:** that the reference to Camden/Gloucester be dropped from the motion. **PASSED.**) The motion to place Hudson county on probation **PASSED.**

Gubernatorial campaign manager. Layman volunteered to fill this important position. He urged each member to devote four hours to Kaplan's campaign, pointing out what a minor commitment it is.

Bylaws amendment. **RESOLVED:** that para. 4.c)7 of the NJLP bylaws be amended so that members nominated to the Steering committee by petition will require the signatures of 5% of the membership plus 5 signatures, versus 10% plus 10. (**Schoen** objected that proper notice of the proposed change had not been given in the call to the meeting. The chair ruled that the May, 1993 issue of *The NJ Libertarian* constituted proper notice. **RESOLVED:** that the Chair's ruling be overruled. **FAILED.**) The motion to amend the bylaws **PASSED.**

Party goals. **RESOLVED:** that the NJLP increase its membership by 100% in the next year. **PASSED.** **RESOLVED:** that the NJLP organize all 21 counties in the next year. **PASSED.** **RESOLVED:** that the NJLP address fundamental prob-

lems rather than personalities (translation: that is, that we don't start believing that all will be well if only we get rid of Gov. X or Sen. Y.) **PASSED.**

Bulk subscription to the LP News. **RESOLVED:** that the NJLP purchase 25 subscriptions to the LP News for distribution to the media. **FAILED.**

NATCOM. Karlan reported that the Pennsylvania LP has an issues edition in newsletter format that we could adopt. He also has high expectations of Bill Winter, the new national media coordinator, who can undoubtedly help us in our approach to the media. Karlan's shadow government proposal has been adopted by national.

Announcement. Thanks to **Chris White** and **Howard Schoen**, the lending library now includes many Cato Institute journals and policy analyses, and a copy of *The Emperor Wears No Clothes* by Jack Herer.

The meeting was adjourned about 5:40 p.m.

Addition
For Copy of Updated NJLP Bylaws. Phone Karlan

HOW TO START A SUPPER CLUB IN YOUR AREA

by Karen Allard

Do you remember the first Libertarian function you attended? For some, their first encounter with Libertarians was not a positive experience. How many new LP members or other sympathetic individuals who are excited about the ideas of liberty attend such an event never to return?

An alternative way to introduce Libertarian ideas and energize local Party members is evident in the success of the Tacoma, Washington-based Puget Sound Supper Club. Since its inception in December 1987, there have been 25 gatherings of the Puget Sound Supper Club. Attendance has been steady with a record number of nearly 60 people attending a recent supper club.

In order to start a successful supper club, you need to consider:

Name of the supper club: It is important to name your supper club. If you primarily want to target Libertarians and Libertarian Party members you might have "Libertarian" in the name. If you want to

outreach to the general public in hopes of getting people interested in the ideas of liberty then choose a more generic name with a free minds/free markets theme. Or choose a name related to the geographic area.

Seed money: If you do not have the money to get started, ask local libertarians, family members and friends to donate to a start-up fund. Initially, depending on how many announcements you send out, it could cost you \$50-\$100 or less for flyers, stamps, and outreach material.

The location you choose for the event may require a deposit. To keep an ongoing reserve in the supper club account, charge those on your mailing list \$5 per year to receive the announcements and then charge an extra \$2-5 per person above the cost of the meal at each event. Also, to keep your records separate from your personal accounts, open a separate bank account for the supper club.

Location of the event: I have found a local private university to be the best place to hold the gatherings. At this kind of a location, you can have the meal catered or prepare the meal yourself. If you hold the supper club in a restaurant or hotel, be aware of hidden costs. Room rental, bar charges, room set up fees, and clean up charges are a few

extra charges that may be added. Be conservative on the number of meals ordered with the restaurant or hotel. They will always add more meals but will not subtract any. Be prepared for a 5-10% increase due to phonecalls the day of the event, or people will just show up at the door.

Speakers: Have interesting and thought-provoking titles for your speakers. Tap into Libertarian or free market speakers who live nearby or who might be traveling to your area. Contact Reason Foundation, ISIL, FEE, FREE, FFF, CATO, and others to ask if they have anyone coming to your area who could speak. It is a courtesy to offer the speaker and their guest a complimentary meal. If your supper club is able, offering an honorarium is nice but most of the speakers I have used are willing to speak without one.

Flyer: Your flyer should be simple and give instructions on how much the meal and program are (I always give the option of attending just the program portion), deadline to make reservations, directions to the gathering, title of speech, name of speaker, time and day of gathering. The Puget Sound Supper Club flyer is a two-sided 8-1/2 by 11-inch colored sheet folded in thirds. Mail the announcement two weeks before the event.

Outreach material: It is important to have Libertarian, ISIL, and other free market literature available. I allow attendees to display their business cards, articles, books, etc. on the outreach table as well as having local and state petitions available to sign. I often purchase books or bumper stickers to sell.

Supper club mailing list: I negotiated with the local Libertarian Party for the use of their mailing list; both mem-

bers and prospects. From this group of names, I started my own mailing list.

Variety: Don't hold the supper clubs too often. It seems to work best with an event every 2-3 months. You may choose to hold the supper club on a regular night each month at the same location. However, I have found changing the location and night of the week has not hurt attendance.

Advertisement in local newspaper/Libertarian publications: Local newspapers usually have a column of local events in which you can place a free announcement about the supper club. Pay for an advertisement in your local Libertarian newsletter or ask the editor to include your supper club in the announcement column. Let your local LP office or answering service know when and where your supper club will take place. Those who call in can be informed about upcoming events.

Miscellaneous: DO start and end on time.

A good schedule for the supper club is 6-7 p.m. arrival and no host bar; 7-8 p.m. meal; 8-9 p.m. speaker; 9-9:30 p.m. questions and answers; 9:30 p.m. brief announcements and supper club ends. Allowing the audience to make announcements after the program speaker is done, keeps Libertarians informed of upcoming events. If people want to continue with a discussion or questions, do so after the supper club ends.

Libertarian ideas can be introduced in a fun and stimulating environment. A supper club can be that positive environment. The Puget Sound Supper Club has worked in my area.

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Gloucester County Update

Things are really happening down here in South Jersey. After candidate **Mike Herner** questioned the county freeholders on the effectiveness of a rape prevention program, his comments were included in a column in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

We were the target of two attacks on the letters to the editor page, including one attack by the county budget officer on candidate **James Blakey**. We had expected to be ignored by the opposition, but at this point we're setting the agenda and the Democrats are responding. It looks

like a two-party race as the moribund Republican Party hasn't so much as cried "Boo!" yet.

John Waters, who is wearing two hats as fund raiser and coordinator of our letter writing campaign, deserves much credit. The letter campaign is a continuing success with 12 consecutive published letters. Also, a big round of applause for John and his assistant **Vince LoSasso**. As of June 30, they had raised \$2,613. This is about 21% of our Phase 1 goal of \$12,500. We'd like to thank

everyone out there who has contributed, and remind everyone else that non-tax-deductible contributions can be made to:

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Wenonah, NJ 08090
609-468-2737

NJ State Law requires that you supply us with your occupation, employer and employer's address. Anybody in South Jersey who does not have a local candidate running and would like to help, give us a call and join in the fun.

Finally, a special note from our campaign manager, **Brian Waters**. He would like to let anyone thinking of purchasing voter's registration lists know that if you can't purchase the list on a media that you use, he has access to some tools that would allow him to convert your data. This service he can provide for a fraction of what a commercial firm would charge. If you are thinking about this, phone Brian at 609-845-9581.

—Karen I. Sesko, Treasurer, Committee to Elect Libertarian Freeholders

Are Term Limits Libertarian?

About the following story:

The State Committee, in its June meeting, voted whether the NLP should support Term Limits, but the resolution did not pass; it was agreed to put the question on the agenda for the July 5 General Meeting, but members at that meeting did not get the opportunity to discuss or vote on the issue.

Mike Pierone wrote the following story to present the argument for term limits. The New Hampshire LP supported a term limits bill in its legislature, but the bill was loaded with "killer amendments" by a Democrat/Republican conspiracy. In New Jersey, A-2502 passed without amendment, but S-1909 is delayed by a constitutional question.

Arguments against supporting term limits include: "The ballot is the accepted way to vote the old rascals out and give new blood a chance" and "It doesn't matter how often you change the people in office anyway, the new ones are just as bad as the old".

Express your opinion on this issue to your State Committee or Steering Committee representative.

MANY OF our Libertarian party candidates for office have signed the Term Limits pledge, myself included. Have we taken an unprincipled position, merely for short-term political gain? This is an odd question when applied to a group of people who stood up for things like

drug re-legalization, open borders, and a strict interpretation of the Bill of Rights, but let's try to address it seriously.

I believe that there are principled reasons for a Libertarian candidate to support Term Limits, and that a devotion to Liberty requires a thoughtful person to support

them. But let's first take a look at the opposite viewpoint. Many Libertarians do not support Term Limits because they view them as a limit on personal choice, and of course traditionally, Libertarians do not approve of limits of any kind on personal choice. But is this really a personal choice?

When we choose vanilla ice cream over chocolate we are making a personal choice, and no one is affected by our decision but ourselves. But the decision to select someone to rule over us and our neighbors is a very different kind of choice.

Make no mistake about it, that is what we are doing when we cast our vote. While Libertarian voters are attempting to elect someone who would refrain from ruling us and our neighbors, the fact remains that the power to rule us is what is being conferred. This is not simply a personal decision but in reality is a public decision.

Those who object to placing limits on government in this manner will find themselves supporting some rather strange positions if they wish to remain consistent. For example, the doctrine of Separation of Powers, which requires the legislative, executive and judicial branches to remain independent, depends on limiting the "personal" choice of voters, who are not allowed to select someone to serve simultaneously in more than one branch. Would Libertarians be in favor of allowing the President to appoint himself to the Supreme Court, or people who are subservient to him in the Executive branch?

By its nature, selecting a ruler, is an act of aggression. Representation by majority vote is merely an attempt to make it less so, but so long as ruling is done, the aggression exists. Term Limits are a safeguard, much like Separation of Powers, to insure that a ruler cannot use his power

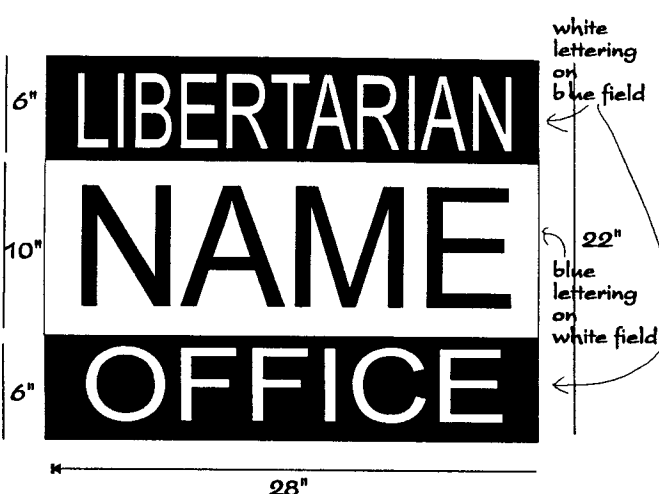
to maintain indefinitely his position of power. For as long as we have government, we shall have governors; in other words, people who govern or control us.

Much as I would like to see our government replaced by a protectorate, whose powers would be limited solely to protecting individual rights, as opposed to ruling over individuals, this is not one of our current options. In light of this, doesn't it make sense to create a safeguard against abuse of power? Surely no one would seriously argue that abuse of power

to remain in office does not take place?

I personally would not feel safe even if I knew that the person I elected was a Libertarian. People change, and nothing is more dangerous than a person who has gotten used to the reins of power. How long can someone be in office and remain a Libertarian? If ever we succeed in actually creating a system that does not "rule" people, then and only then could we afford to abandon term limits.

—Mike Pierone



Ed Wiessmann proposes this sign pattern for adoption by all NJLP candidates.

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Calendar

Members should submit their notices in advance of each month's publication date.

The Steering Committee will meet on August 15, at Grindlinger's, 96 Knapp Ave., Trenton, 08610.

The Somerset/Middlesex Area Libertarians (SMAL) invites members of the public to attend its monthly meeting at 7 p.m., on the 4th Monday of every month, at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1640 Amwell Rd., Rte. 514, Somerset. Phone

Sam Edelman (908-906-0766), or Howard Schoen (908-572-0207) for directions or more information.

The Mercer County Libertarians will meet regularly on the second Sunday of each month, at 2:30 p.m. Location will vary. Call Ben Grindlinger, 609-585-4128 for info.

The Salem County Libertarian Party meets June 30 at 7 p.m. and will meet regularly on the last

Wednesday of each month. For meeting location, phone Doug Stoen, 609-678-7018.

Morris/Essex County LP members meet the last Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Morris County library in Whippany. Phone Lou Stefanelli, 201-751-8675 for info.

On Saturday, July 31, they will sponsor a public debate on Forfeiture at 3 p.m. at the Madison Library. Representatives for both sides will debate, and the public is invited to ask questions.



Monmouth County Libertarians will eat a Liberty Brunch on the second Sunday of each month, starting Sunday, Aug. 8 at 11 a.m., at Helen Radder's house in Farmingdale, 302 W. Farmroad. Phone 908-938-2784 for directions.

Gloucester County Libertarian Party holds its regular meeting the fourth Thursday of each month. On Aug. 26, they will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the West Deptford Public Library. Guests are welcome. For more info, phone John Hill, 609-468-9571 or Brian Waters, 609-845-9581.

To get information on the State Legislature hearings, votes, etc., Office of Legislative Services, 1-800-792-8630.



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