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## Lawsuits, a Win and a Loss

Vice Chair Lou Stefanelli reported that the NJLP has received a nearly \$3,000 refund from the successful litigation against the New Jersey election law. The NJLP's original \$3,300 contribution supported the joint lawsuit with the NJ Green Party and the NJ Conservative Party. For the net \$300 investment the NJLP's and other parties' candidates and independents can now use out of district petitioners to gather signatures.

Also the NJLP's State Fund can become an official Political Party Committee with much higher contributions allowed plus it can give **unlimited** support to individual NJLP candidates. Like the Republicans and Democrats the NJLP State Political Party Committee can collect up to \$25,000 per year from each contributor, including corporations, unions, and other political committees. The Libertarian National Committee could even now contribute \$72,000 to the NJLP Political Committee.

Remember, once the NJLP Political Party Committee collects the funds, there are **no limits** to the amount it can contribute to **any** candidate or political committee! Formerly, the NJLP State Fund as a Continuing Political Committee could only provide \$8,200 to a candidate for his/her candidate committee.

Finally, Republicrats had exempted themselves from the lobbying rules [See NJAC 19:25-20.3(a)4.]: "attempts to influence legislation or ... regulation shall not apply to ... acts of a duly organized national, state or local committee of a political party." Now, that exemption includes the NJLP! Our county committees and the NJLP Steering Committee/State Board can work to defeat or support anything while being free of onerous and meddlesome lobbying regulations.

The lawsuit brought by the Libertarian Party and Jason Scheurer vs. the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission asked the court to rule on the constitutionality of the misnamed Fair and Clean Elections (FACE) law. Alas, the judge has dismissed the case. At press time the details were not available, but Attorney Walter Luers will get the transcripts and an appeal will be considered.

Since the election has passed and the relevant statute expires in March, further actions may have to be made before a new FACE law is enacted.



## Regional Convention on March 14-16

By Lou Jasikoff, NJLP Chair

Dear Fellow Libertarians,

I am proud to invite you to the 2008 Libertarian Party of New Jersey/Pennsylvania Convention on March 14, 15, & 16 at the Desmond Hotel in Malvern, Pennsylvania. This location, west of Philadelphia, offers easy access via the Pennsylvania Turnpike, the Schuylkill Expressway or Rt. 202. The hotel was selected for its high quality accommodations, great food and state-of-the-art technology.

This convention will be of particular importance as we prepare for the 2008 elections. So far we have eight Libertarian Presidential candidates confirmed to attend. Each contender for the party's nomination will have an opportunity to address the convention attendees with a short half hour presentation, then come together for an exciting debate. This will be an excellent opportunity to evaluate these presidential hopefuls prior to the national convention in Denver.

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To insure that this is one of the best conventions ever, the NJLP has joined forces with the Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania. This unique convention will provide great opportunities to collaborate, not only with fellow members of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, but also representatives from W. Virginia, Delaware, Maryland and New England states. In addition to the presidential debate, a wide range of workshops, speakers, and social events are scheduled. Featured speakers will include Larken Rose, Michael Badnarik, Bill Redpath, and Don Ernsberger. (Please see page 6 for biographies on each speaker.) Our members are sure to be informed and inspired.

The NJLP business meeting will be held on Saturday March 15 starting at 9:00 AM in a special hospitality suite at the hotel. Party business includes election of officers, selection of NJLP candidates for 2008, and choosing 20 delegates to the National LP Convention in Denver being held May 22 - 26, 2008. Also part of the business meeting are county caucuses where county officers are chosen and Representatives to the NJLP Board are elected. See the convention agenda following.

In addition to the regular convention activities, members are invited to the Montgomery County Hospitality Suite on Friday & Saturday nights. Enjoy beverages with your fellow Libertarians while supporting local activists. Having personally attended this event last year I can tell you it was a great time and most enjoyable just mingling with like-minded individuals in a very relaxed atmosphere. (Details are on pages 7-8.)

Arrive Friday morning to take Michael Badnarik's full day Constitution class. Convention attendees save \$50 on the tuition. Register at [www.ConstitutionPreservation.org](http://www.ConstitutionPreservation.org).

Please take a minute to complete the enclosed registration form on page 9. Save money by signing up by March 1. You can also register on-line at [www.lppa.org/convention](http://www.lppa.org/convention) or visit our site at [www.njlp.org](http://www.njlp.org) for continuing updates.

In putting this convention together, everyone involved looked to make this convention something special—a convention we could all be proud of. We wanted to expand on the new wave of liberty and enthusiasm we have heard so much of lately. This is your chance to get back involved and help grow the party so please try to attend. Any donations towards our convention costs would also be greatly appreciated as all fees were based strictly on cost.

If you have any questions about our event please feel free to contact me at [atofny@aol.com](mailto:atofny@aol.com) or call 570-878-7532. You can also contact Jim Babb the LPPa Convention Chair at 610-539-8825 or [jamesbabb@mac.com](mailto:jamesbabb@mac.com).

We look forward to seeing you,

PS. Do you have a product or service of interest to Libertarians? If so we have a limited number of exhibition tables available, as well as advertising space in the convention booklet.

## NJLP Convention Agenda

Call to order and quorum check 9:00 AM  
Agenda review and approval  
Chair report  
Vice chair report  
Secretary's report including minutes of prior meeting  
Treasurer's report and presentation of budget  
New business:  
    Bylaws changes (see below)  
Election of new officers  
Nomination of candidates  
County caucuses  
County committee reports  
Member recognition  
Announcements  
Future meetings  
Adjournment

### Bylaws change proposal by Jay Edgar

Please consider the following to change paragraph 5.d.7 of our Bylaws to add the underlined material:

5.d.7. Steering Committee members chosen by petition shall be NJLP members who assume their posts by filing with the Secretary, a dated petition of appointment signed by at least 5% of the entire NJLP membership plus five (5) members. No member may sign more than one such petition at one time, and the member may remove his or her name at any time. Any NJLP member may challenge the current validity of a by-petition Steering Committee member at any time. A challenge will require the Secretary to check and state the validity of the petition. Any Steering Committee member by-petition whose support falls below the level noted above, whether by loss of signatures or growth of the NJLP, shall be notified and have until the next General Meeting to obtain sufficient signatures or else cease to be on the NJLP Steering Committee. In any event, such term will expire one year from the date of the petition or at the conclusion of the next State Convention, whichever comes last.

Rationale: The only way to remove a by-petition at-large member is by decertifying his petition. Requiring the secretary to reverify the validity of each petition prior to every steering committee meeting is a burdensome requirement. Due to this I don't think it's ever being done.

### Future Meetings & Events

**Sunday, February 24** – NJLP State Board at  
Tumulty's Pub in New Brunswick, 1:00-4:30 PM

**Saturday, March 15** – LPPa & NJLP Regional  
Convention: at the Desmond Hotel in Malvern,  
PA. See page 7-9 for information & form.



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAVE 30-60 CENTS PER GALLON?

It's been a while since I last wrote for the NJLP newsletter, though I'm hoping a few of you still remember me. Though not as active as I used to be (*Libertarian Lou on the Loose* columnist, member NJLP Steering Committee, Editor Monmouth County LP newsletter), I am still a fervent believer in the principles of libertarianism. My time the past few years has been spent building a family and a new business, which is why I am writing to you today.

The company is utilizing advanced magneto hydrodynamics on various fluids to enhance their efficiency. The first product is the **Vortex Fuel Saver** ([www.VortexFuelSaver.com](http://www.VortexFuelSaver.com)). This seemingly simple product improves fuel efficiency, dramatically reduces emissions and even increases horsepower. Vortex guarantees a minimum 10% increase in MPG, provides a 90 day, "No Questions Asked," 100% Money Back Guarantee, and provides a Lifetime Power Warranty on the system.

Bob O'Connor owner of the Colts Neck Exxon station was extremely skeptical the system would work until he increased his MPG from 20 to 23.5. His car had also been burning excess oil, which decreased immediately. Bob is now one of Vortex's Authorized Installers.

The **Vortex Fuel Saver** is NOT a gas or oil additive and does not require cutting the fuel line to install. A mechanic, or knowledgeable Do-It-Yourselfer, can install the system in less than 10 minutes without any special tools.

Emissions Testing performed on a Volvo 740 at a New York state certified testing facility			
Before (emissions failed)	Hydrocarbons (HC)	115	Nitrous Oxide (NO) 171
After (11 days later, no other changes)	Hydrocarbons (HC)	41	Nitrous Oxide (NO) 47

I am running this ad to find 10 people willing to try a **Vortex Fuel Saver**. If you agree to have it installed (see the web site for a list of Authorized Installers or use your own mechanic), or install it yourself, within two weeks of receipt, test it (minimum of three full tanks) for up to one month, and agree to write a letter detailing your results within two weeks of the completion of your testing, Vortex will offer you a special purchase price. Vortex will send you a complete system at our expense. IF YOU ARE SATISFIED with the system after seeing the results and wish to purchase it; you can buy it at the discounted price of \$200 (this system retails for \$300 to \$499). Please start recording your baseline fuel consumption (two or three full tanks) before installing the **Vortex Fuel Saver** to have an accurate comparison.

**Additionally, for every unit sold, I will donate \$25 to the NJLP.**

Vortex is also looking for additional Authorized Installers and Sales Representatives. If you, or anyone you know, are interested, please contact Lou Elwell at (732) 901-5976 or [Lou.Elwell@VortexFuelSaver.com](mailto:Lou.Elwell@VortexFuelSaver.com)

## **NJLP Meetings Held**

By *NJL* Editor Len Flynn

The NJLP Steering Committee and some county chapters had meetings at the beginning of the year. The Steering Committee met via a conference call on January 21 starting at 8:00 PM. The call was arranged by NJLP Secretary Sean Colon through his office. Present along with Sean were Lou Jasikoff, Lou Stefanelli, Ken Kaplan, and Jason Scheurer. Absent were Ken Chazotte, Bob Hull, and Kevin Ferizzi:

Lou Jasikoff opened the meeting by describing the upcoming regional conference and NJLP convention that is being held on the weekend of March 15, 2008 at King of Prussia, PA. The meeting attendees noted that delegates to the annual convention were specified in the NJLP Bylaws as members with current dues who were also members on February 1, 2008. This prompted Lou to direct Len Flynn to work with Jay Edgar to send a renewal letter right away to expired members and assure an opportunity for everyone to be "current" on Feb. 1. This project was completed by January 26, when the final letters were passed over the counter at the Morganville Post Office at 2:35 PM.

Ken Kaplan made two comments. First, he said the NJLP needed a response to Governor Corzine's tax plan. For such a response, see Jay Edgar's 1-16-08 entry on the NJLP website entitled "Understanding Corzine's Financial Scheme."

Second, Ken stated that he objected to Republicans like Murray Sabrin (who is seeking the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate this year) speaking at our convention. Ken believes such speakers might brand the NJLP as Republican. After discussion, the Steering Committee agreed that Lou Jasikoff could use his discretion as to such a speaker at the regional convention.

The next meeting will be a State Board meeting at Tumulty's Pub in New Brunswick beginning at 1:00 PM on Saturday February 24, 2008.

### **LP of Mercer County**

By David E. Trend, Corresponding Secretary  
Libertarian Party of Mercer County

The Mercer County Libertarians met at 7:00 PM on Wednesday January 9, 2008 at the Desert Moon Café in Princeton. Chair Ken Bireta called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM. Treasurer David Trend reported a balance of \$847.18. Trend reported that the account was switched to a type without maintenance fees. David also reported 30 post cards were sent out to addresses in our database and of those, 27 were older addresses.

Chair Ken Bireta reported that the Ron Paul for President group has continued to grow and traffic to the LPMC website has remained stable (4 hits per day). Adjournment was at 7:34 PM

The Mercer County Libertarians met again on February 13, 2008, at the Salad Works in Princeton. We discussed our ongoing outreach efforts and plans for the future. Thanks to Ken Bireta, our county website ([www.lpmercer.org](http://www.lpmercer.org)) has been further improved and is currently averaging four hits per day. Our Meetup.com site has not been very productive; and we will not renew our contract when it expires in June.

It was decided to skip our regularly scheduled March meeting and instead to meet at the caucus at the upcoming NJLP State Convention. We discussed nominees for LPMC offices for the coming year and noted the names of members willing to serve as officers, to be voted upon during the State Convention.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be held April 9 at this location. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

## **New NJLP Website Launched**

By Jay Edgar

Our new website is more interactive, provides us with tools for managing our membership, and is expandable via third party software plug-ins.

Our new site provides:

- Site login features. This allows us to tailor the permissions of various users to view and manage different parts of the site. It also integrates the forum with the site.
- Blogging software. Instead of having one or two people updating the site we can now have multiple editors all contributing content to the site. Any registered user can click "Submit News". Entries will not automatically get approved unless that user has permission to approve their own posts. Posts can be categorized into whatever categories we choose. Each entry can either be placed on the front page, or just available via the news menu.
- Readers can comment on most entries on the site. When looking at an entry, click on "Comments" to leave a comment. For now you must be registered to leave a comment. In the future I'm hoping to add anti-spam measures and allow anyone to comment.
- News feeds. We subscribe to many different news feeds from around the country. Hover over "News" and then click on "News Feeds."
- All our *NJ Libertarian* newsletters going back to 1973 are archived and available on the site.

We can now manage our entire membership database using our website. This feature will allow for grouping of our members into county organizations and management of renewals and renewal notices. I haven't fully enabled this feature yet. The Renew and Join Now features are operational.

I can't promise that all of the bugs have been worked out yet. If you run into any problems please let me know. Visit <http://njlp.org>. Register a user name and kick the tires a bit.

## John Paff Raising New Issues

### Lawnside Borough Open Records

John appeared before Hon. Francis J. Orlando in Camden on Wednesday, January 9, 2008 and participated in a two hour hearing to resolve all the remaining issues in his Open Public Meetings Act suit against the Borough of Lawnside. There were five issues outstanding:

1. Whether two sets of the Borough's closed session minutes were "reasonably comprehensible" enough to satisfy the Meetings Act.
2. Whether it is permissible for the Council to meet with a potential "developer" in closed session.
3. Whether three sets of closed session minutes that dealt with developer litigation were too heavily redacted.
4. Whether one set of closed session minutes that dealt with a personnel matter was too heavily redacted.
5. Whether John was the prevailing party and thus entitled to recover the costs of bringing the suit.

On the first matter, Judge Orlando rejected the Borough's lawyer's arguments that the minutes were adequate. He ruled that the minutes needed to be more informative. The judge said and that any sensitive material could be protected by redaction rather than excluding the material from the minutes in the first place.

On the second matter, Orlando stated that it was "at best, unusual" for municipal councils to go into closed session with redevelopers to hear their proposals and called the Borough's position regarding the dangers of developers hearing other developers' proposals "illusory." He remarked that he saw no reason why a council could not at least listen to a developer's proposal in public, but allowed that there might be certain instances when a developer and the Council might have to meet privately.

Orlando criticized the brevity and lack of specificity of the minutes of the closed sessions that the redevelopers attended, and said that these deficiencies made it impossible for him to determine whether the private meetings were proper or improper. He granted the relief demanded to require more specificity in the Borough Council's closed session minutes rather than banning, per se, the Council's practice of meeting privately with redevelopers.

On the third and fourth issues, Judge Orlando reviewed copies of the unredacted minutes from the bench without allowing Paff to see them (i.e., an "in camera" inspection). He noted that the meeting minutes were handwritten and that in some cases the handwriting was illegible. On the third issue, he ruled that the author of one of the sets of minutes (an attorney who no longer is associated with the borough) had to submit a certification clarifying and interpreting the minutes' content. On two sets of minutes that are part of the third issue, Judge

Orlando ruled that the redactions were properly done. On the fourth issue--the minutes from which the personnel matter was redacted--Judge Orlando also had a hard time interpreting what the redacted information meant. During this tedious process the borough attorney decided to release the redacted matter to John in order to resolve the issue.

On the fifth issue, Judge Orlando stated that New Jersey abided by the "catalyst" rule and that Paff was entitled to recover his costs from the Borough, because several orders had been entered in his favor and that the lawsuit was the catalyst for producing change in the manner in which Lawnside Borough complied with the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act.

### The "Naked" Truth: Long Hill Township Board of Education Decision and Order

On January 14, 2008, John Paff and his attorney Walter Luers received a copy of the Order and Decision from Judge Bozonelis regarding their lawsuit against the Long Hill Township Board of Education. The bottom line is that Judge Bozonelis: 1. Denied Paff access to the letter that the sexual harassment victim's lawyer wrote to the Board. 2. Granted him access to everything redacted from the Board's April 23, 2007 executive session except for two sentence fragments which the judge found to be protected by the attorney-client privilege. 3. Ordered the Board to either a) provide John with the version of the minutes set forth in #2 above, or b) file an "appropriate application" with the court within seven days of the court's order. 4. Did not address the issue of whether John was the prevailing party for the purposes of attorney fees and costs. Presumably, these matters await a future proceeding.

### Loitering Ordinance Being Challenged in Mount Olive

According to Kevin Lechiski, Staff Writer for *The Warren Reporter* for January 18, 2008, the New Jersey Libertarian Party is questioning the validity of the township's Peace and Good Order ordinance prohibiting loitering and vagrancy. In response to a Dec. 23 letter from the Libertarian Party, Township Councilwoman Colleen Labow, during council's Jan. 8 meeting, requested the municipality's legal counsel to review the ordinance to determine if the entire measure is in accordance with state law.

The letter, written by John Paff, chairman of the NJLP's Preempted Ordinance Repeal Project, claims two specific sections of the ordinance pertaining to loitering and vagrancy "are invalid because the New Jersey Legislature, when enacting the Criminal Code in the late 1970s, specifically decided to not include those types of prohibitions within the code. The Legislature was concerned that 'vagrancy and loitering statutes have long suffered from constitutional infirmity and have been criticized as inviting official harassment and discriminatory enforcement.'"

The Mount Olive ordinance prohibits loitering under a section entitled "Loitering; loud, offensive or indecent language." The ordinance defines vagrants as "any person or persons who shall be apprehended in the Township of Mount Olive, either on foot or in any automobile, vehicle or public conveyance, who cannot give good account of themselves or who shall have no legitimate business in the township shall be deemed and adjudged to be a disorderly person." Paff asks the council to repeal any parts of the ordinance found to be invalid.

The Peace and Good Order ordinance, listed under Chapter 178 of the municipal code book, addresses – in addition to loitering and vagrancy – various "disorderly persons" violations including public nudity, public intoxication, prostitution and illegal gambling. In his letter to the township mayor and council, Paff said the Libertarian Party has sent letters to numerous other New Jersey municipalities expressing concerns over the validity of various ordinances.

"Unfortunately, getting municipalities to ask their attorneys to opine on an ordinance's validity is often not as easy and straightforward as it may appear," Paff wrote. "As a representative of the New Jersey Libertarian Party who has attempted to get similar ordinances repealed statewide, I have encountered substantial resistance to my efforts. What I've found, bluntly, is that elected municipal officials sometimes know, or at least suspect, that their loitering, vagrancy and similar ordinances are invalid but are afraid to question them lest they be regarded 'soft on crime.'"

### LPCNJ as *Amicus Curiae* to NJ Supreme Court

On January 15, 2008, the New Jersey Supreme Court granted the Libertarian Party of Central New Jersey motion to appear as "*amicus curiae*" (i.e. friend of the court) in a pending public records case. The case that the LPCNJ is participating in presents the Supreme Court with two issues:

1. Whether people who sue for access to records under the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) can file a simple civil complaint, subject to a two-year statute of limitations, or whether they need to file a more complicated action known as "an action in lieu of prerogative writs," which is subject to a 45-day statute of limitations.
2. Whether people who successfully sue for access to public records should continue to be reimbursed for their attorney fees as long as the lawsuit was causally related to obtaining access to the public record, regardless of whether or not an order or formal settlement occurs; or should the rule be changed so that attorney fees will be awarded only when a court officially rules in favor of the plaintiff.

On the first issue, the LPCNJ argues that a regular civil complaint is the proper method for enforcing an OPRA claim and that a two-year--and not a forty-five day--statute of limitations should apply. On the second issue, the LPCNJ argues against requiring that a person formally "win" a lawsuit as a necessary condition to being awarded his or attorney fees for bringing the suit.

The LPCNJ argues that requiring a formal court order to trigger an attorney fee award would lead to government agencies engaging in a process known as "strategic capitulation." This is where the agency, after requiring the plaintiff to spend large sums on litigation, give the requested record to the plaintiff shortly before trial and then argues that the case is moot and that the plaintiff isn't entitled to his litigation costs because no formal order needed to be issued. The LPCNJ is being represented by Richard Gutman, Esq. of Montclair, who is the same attorney who represented the party in its successful lawsuit against Edison Township regarding the \$55 charge for floppy disks.

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# LPPa & NJLP Convention

March 14, 15, & 16<sup>th</sup> 2008

The Desmond Hotel & Conference Center  
One Liberty Boulevard, Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355



**Schedule subject to change. Visit [www.lppa.org/convention](http://www.lppa.org/convention) for up to date details.**

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Friday, March 14		
9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Michael Badnarik's full day Constitution class. Even seasoned Libertarians will be shocked at how much they were never taught. Requires separate registration at <a href="http://www.ConstitutionPreservation.org">www.ConstitutionPreservation.org</a> . Convention attendees receive \$50 off the tuition.	
8:00 pm - ?	The legendary Montgomery County Hospitality Suite. Have some snacks and beverages with your fellow Libertarians. Proceeds benefit local Libertarian activities. Buy your ticket at the door. One night: \$20, two nights: \$35. Includes open bar.	
Saturday, March 15		
	Amphitheater	Meeting Room(s)
8:00 - 9:00 am	Breakfast	NJLP Delegate Registration
9:00 - 11:30 am		NJLP Business Meeting
9:30 - 9:55 am	Presidential Candidate Presentation 1	Toastmasters Workshop
10:00 - 10:25 am	Presidential Candidate Presentation 2	
10:30 - 10:55 am	Presidential Candidate Presentation 3	Running for Office Workshop
11:00 - 11:25 am	Presidential Candidate Presentation 4	
11:30 - 12:50 pm	Lunch (w/ special guest Larken Rose)	
1:00 - 1:25 pm	Presidential Candidate Presentation 5	Local Political Activism Workshop
1:30 - 1:55 pm	Presidential Candidate Presentation 6	
2:00 - 2:25 pm	Presidential Candidate Presentation 7	Ballot Access Workshop
2:30 - 2:55 pm	Presidential Candidate Presentation 8	
3:00 - 5:00 pm	Presidential Candidate Debate	
5:30 - 6:30 pm	1788 VIP Reception (in hotel bar)	
6:30 - 7:30 pm	Cocktails (Cash Bar)	
7:30 - 9:30 pm	Dinner & Speakers Michael Badnarik, Bill Redpath and Don Ernsberger (Cash Bar)	
10:00 pm - ?	Montgomery County Hospitality Suite	
Sunday, March 16		
9:00 - 10:00 am	Breakfast	LPPa Delegate Credentials
10:00 - 12:00 pm	LPPa Business	NJLP Officer Orientation and Organizational Meeting
12:00 - 1:20 pm	Break for Lunch (on your own)	
1:30 - 4:30 pm	LPPa Business	Additional NJLP Meeting Time if Needed

# LPPa/NJLP Convention Speakers

For more information about the convention speakers and workshops please visit [www.lppa.org/convention](http://www.lppa.org/convention).



## Michael Badnarik

Constitutional scholar, author and radio host, Michael first began studying the Constitution in 1983, which led him to the disturbing conclusion that MOST of what our federal, state, and local governments do is unconstitutional. Since then, he has done everything within his sphere of influence to restore our Constitutional republic. This quest has led him to run for Texas State Representative in 2000 and 2002 and US Congress in 2006. In 2004, he successfully won the Libertarian nomination for President of the United States.

While on the presidential campaign trail, Michael found time to write a book about the Constitution entitled *Good To Be King, The Foundations of Freedom* with an introduction by Ron Paul. Michael has now dedicated his life to "Lighting the fires of Liberty, one heart at a time!" by teaching classes on the Constitution via his daily radio program that can be heard live every weekday from 8-10 am, or as a podcast on We the People Radio Network ([www.wtprn.com](http://www.wtprn.com)).

On Friday, Michael will teach his full day constitution class. Convention attendees save \$50 on the tuition. Register for the class today at [www.constitutionpreservation.org](http://www.constitutionpreservation.org). Michael will also participate in the Running for Office workshop and evening banquet.



## Larken Rose

Thomas Paine declared that "a patriot protects his country from the government." Self described "tax heretic", Larken Rose is a patriot in that sense. He has challenged the federal government to refute his reading of the tax code and answer his questions before he would give them another dime. In 2002, he produced a video explaining his research and conclusions. The video sold briskly for several years until the government railroaded the 37-year-old vocal upstart into federal prison. His conclusions were never refuted; his questions never answered.

Larken's interest in politics goes back to his youth. He was always passionately interested in the freedom of his fellow man, moving intellectually from conservatism through libertarianism to anarchism.

On Saturday, Larken will be our guest lunch speaker. Larken will tell us about his new book, *How to be a Successful Tyrant - The Megalomaniac Manifesto* ([www.tyrantbook.com](http://www.tyrantbook.com)). His indomitable spirit and wit are sure to entertain.



## Bill Redpath

Bill Redpath is a longtime member of the Libertarian National Committee and past Treasurer of the Libertarian National Congressional Committee. He has been involved with the Libertarian Party since 1984. At the 2006 National Convention in Portland he was elected as the new national chair. Bill is a firm believer in the national party's role in ballot access and was Chair of the Ballot Access Committee from 1990 through 1997, the time span including the successful efforts for 50 state ballot access in 1992 and 1996. He started his efforts as a petition volunteer in 1988 and recently served as the LNC's Ballot Access Project Manager.

He has run for office three times. In 1993 he ran for the Virginia House of Delegates. In 1998 he ran for the Virginia Senate. In 2001 he ran for Governor of Virginia. He served as state chair of the Libertarian Party of Virginia from 1989 to 1991, as well as vice chair and treasurer. He is a CPA with an MBA from the University of Chicago, and is presently Vice President of Consulting for BIAfn (<http://biafn.com/>).

On Saturday, Bill will share his experience during the Ballot Access workshop and will brief us on LNC activities at the evening banquet.



## Don Ernsberger

Don Ernsberger is a long-time libertarian activist. Don's libertarian political activism began with Youth for Goldwater 1964. As one of the pioneers of the modern libertarian movement, he founded a libertarian caucus within the Young Americans for Freedom in 1968, and split with YAF to co-found the Society for Individual Liberty in 1969. Don is one of the co-founders of the Libertarian Party. He was a member of the LP National Committee and an activist in the party from 1972 through 1996.

In Pennsylvania, he ran for US Congress in 1988 and for US Senate in 1994 against Rick Santorum. He organized the 1996 National LP convention. Don currently serves as Chief of Staff for Congressman Dana Rohrabacher (46-CA) and is running for Delegate to Republican National Convention where he will cast his vote for Ron Paul.

Don will share experiences from 40 years of libertarian activism as our keynote speaker Saturday night.





# LPPa & NJLP Convention

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		Number of Attendees	Total \$
<b>Full Convention Package</b>	\$149 (\$179 after March 1st)		
Includes everything below			
<b>Saturday Events</b>	\$59 (\$69 after March 1st)		
Includes Breakfast, Lunch with featured speaker, Beverages and Snack, Workshops, Candidate Presentations and Presidential Candidate Debate			
<b>Saturday Night Banquet</b>	\$49 (\$59 after March 1st)		
Includes Keynote Presentation			
<b>Sunday Events</b>	\$45 (\$55 after March 1st)		
Includes Breakfast and Beverages			
<b>I would like to make a contribution to help with event advertising and other expenses</b>			
		<b>Total</b>	

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