

# New Jersey Libertarian

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#### DR. JOHN M. TAYLOR NAMED THE LIBERTARIAN CANDIDATE FOR HIGHLANDS BOROUGH COUNCIL

HIGHLANDS, NJ — Highlands voters will have a third option this November in the election for borough council. Dr. John M. Taylor is running as the Libertarian Party candidate on a platform calling for smaller government.

His fond childhood memories of the Jersey Shore, his appreciation of the rich and romantic history of Highlands, and his vision of Highlands as the "Jewel of the Shore" has convinced Dr. Taylor to run for local public office. Issues he views as important include high property taxes, residents' property rights, parking, and a deteriorating infrastructure. As possible solutions, Dr. Taylor proposes lower budget caps or spending freezes, privatization of some overly expensive and inefficient public services, and establishment of a Citizens' Committee on Parking. "We pay an awful lot in taxes here in Highlands, with unfortunately little to show for it. Where is all the money going? I intend to find out," he states.

John M. Taylor, MD, FACS is a native of New Jersey, originally from Paterson, and a graduate of Clifton High School Class of 1980. There he graduated valedictorian of a class of 810 students, played both varsity football and track, served as captain of the track team for 3 straight years, and still holds the school record for the 400m intermediate hurdles set in 1980. He graduated from M.I.T. in 1984 with 2 undergraduate degrees: a B.S. in chemical engineering and a B.S. in life sciences. Dr. Taylor received his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1988, then completed his internship and residency in general surgery at Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, N.Y., followed by his residency in plastic and reconstructive surgery at the same institution. While training there, Dr. Taylor was awarded the Leo M. Davidoff Society Award for outstanding achievement in the teaching of medical students. He has been board certified by both The American Board of Surgery, as well as The American Board of Plastic Surgery, and is a member of numerous county, state, national, and international medical and surgical societies.

Dr. Taylor moved to Monmouth County in 1995 upon entering private practice in plastic and reconstructive surgery, and has been a resident of Highlands since 1999. He is the owner of Allure Plastic Surgery Center located in Long Branch, NJ, and is on the attending staff of Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch, Jersey Shore University Medical Center in Neptune, and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Dr. Taylor has been Vice Chairman of the Libertarians of Monmouth and Ocean Counties for the past 2 years, and was the Libertarian Party candidate for New Jersey General Assembly, 11th Legislative District, in 2001. He is the proud father of 2 daughters, Caitlin (age 14) and Amanda (age 12).

#### Fundraiser for Taylor Campaign in the Works

From the Taylor Campaign: We are putting together a Sandy Hook/New York Harbor cruise on a private yacht the weekend of Sept 27/28. Anybody who is interested can e-mail jmtaylor99@comcast.net to note their interest, and they'll receive an official notice once plans are finalized.

#### Volunteers Needed for OPH Booth

Volunteers are needed for an OPH booth that the LPSMC is scheduled to participate in. It will be at the Metuchen Country Fair, Saturday, October 4, 2003, 10 to 4. Contact Howard Schoen at 732-572-0207 or hschoen@superlink.net for more information.

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### $From \ The \ Chair {\rm By \ NJLP \ State \ Chair \ Emerson \ Ellett}$

Do people know what the Libertarian Party stands for?

Well, to judge by a plea for help from a woman in Manalapan Township, they know we stand for the entrepreneurial spirit, private property and the right to run a home based business. For four years, the beleaguered Monmouth County resident has been trying to obtain a variance to operate a massage therapy business in her home. Her 1999 application requested permission to see no more than four clients per day. It was rejected despite the fact that several home-based businesses are operating in her residential neighborhood. Since then, her health has deteriorated and she seeks permission to see no more than two clients per day Monday through Friday. The Zoning Board was unmoved by her doctor's statement that she is physically incapable of loading and unloading massage tables from her vehicle. (The Board had previously wondered why she had not called on clients at their residence.)



The August 7 hearing, attended by 3 NJLP members, ruled that the doctrine of res judicata applied; her current application was "substantially the same" as her 1999 application and therefore had been previously decided. Her petition was thus rejected by a vote of 7 to 1. Interestingly the Zoning Board did not make this ruling at the first hearing. Nor would the Board even consider hearing the second application until she had deposited \$3100 in escrow, apparently to pay the fees of the Board's attorney, engineer and clerk. In preparation for her second application, she also spent additional thousands on attorney and professional planner's fees. No longer able to afford an attorney by what turned out to be the final hearing she represented herself. (The planner had attended two previous hearings but never had an opportunity to present her findings.)

Can you imagine a system in which Americans feel compelled to hire an attorney to petition government to work in her own home? Can you imagine the absolute power of Zoning Boards that demand the services of a professional planner to advise the petitioner on where to place, position and store a massage table in the home (should the Board approve)?

Our role in this travesty was limited to alerting our Manalapan members and providing moral support. However, even if every one of our Manalapan members and supporters had attended the hearing they would have been unable to express their support except indirectly by asking the applicant questions. I will follow up with a letter to our Manalapan group asking them to contact the mayor and township committee members and urge them to re-introduce an ordinance to permit home businesses. (A proposal a few years ago that would have permitted up to six client visits a day was never acted upon.)

Our Manalapan friend said her situation "seems like fascism." Is she not right? Isn't fascism a system in which property, though privately owned, is controlled by government?

As a result of our involvement we became aware of the Neptune City-based Home Based Business Council chaired by Mr. Chris Hansen who can be reached at 732 776-6496. The HBBC is a potential ally in the fight to restore the right of people to work in their home without fear of government code enforcers.

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Hey, buddy, can you spare 37 cents?

We're trying something new with membership renewal notices. The first notice is going out by email a couple of months before the expiration date. If you renew on line or mail your renewal to NJLP c/o Robert Hull, 400 Higgins Ave., Suite B, Brielle, NJ 00830 you will save us multiple 37 cent follow-ups by snail mail. Of course if you prefer to renew by hardcopy let us know and we'll be happy to mail you a renewal notice. If we don't have your email address please send it to membership@njlp.org. Let's see; 37 cents times 4 follow up mailings times our membership... Hmm, that ain't chump change. Thanks!

Interested in helping the Libertarian candidate who has the best chance of getting elected this November? Sure hope so, 'cause getting candidates elected is our reason for being.

Send contributions payable to Taylor for Borough Council P.O. Box 371 Highlands, NJ 07732

John Taylor, MD has planned an active campaign, with hundreds of lawn signs, door hangers, billboard, a targeted mailing and a voter registration drive keyed to new townhouse residents who have been socked with \$11,000 property tax bills. Be sure to sign up for his fundraising cruise Sept. 27 (and Sept 28, depending on the response). You'll depart from the beautiful Bayshore community of Highlands on a pleasure cruise of Raritan Bay and New York harbor. Refreshments will be provided.

You can reach John at 732 291-0419 or at jmtaylor99@comcast.net Contact John now and volunteer.

Also please contact your county chair, myself (chair@njlp.org; 732 774-3684) or a Steering Committee member if you are able to help the party in any other way.

### Libertarians in Print

#### Printed in the July 22 Princeton Packet **Taxpayer handouts should be voluntary**

To the editor:

How nice that the director and president of the Historical Society of Princeton appreciate the state government for the restoration of the majority of funding for history and the arts (The Packet, July 15). How nice that they enlighten many readers to the extent to which state appropriations have supported their staffing and education programs. How nice for them that local and state government is so "responsive" to the "public groundswell of support."

But how shameful that these groups should be grabbing up money confiscated by the state from the taxpayers of New Jersey. How shameful that government bureaucrats should be so generous with other people's money.

Gail F. Stern and Dee Patberg say they believe "institutions like the Historical Society of Princeton enrich the lives of residents of our state." Yet they admit that without the money confiscated from the taxpayers, they would be unable to operate their library; mount exhibitions; offer lectures, film programs, walking tours and bus tours; educate school groups; and keep [their] museum shop open.

Libertarians want to know why, if these programs are so enriching, the people they enrich don't voluntarily support them adequately. If the people who use their library, view their exhibitions, listen to their lectures, participate in their film programs and tours won't cover those costs, why should the taxpayers?

I'm a great supporter of the Hillsborough Outdoor Sports Center; the Princeton University football, basketball, and softball programs; and the Libertarian Party of New Jersey. All of these enrich many lives. However, none of them go running to the state to cover their costs. If we devotees do not cover their costs, they disappear.

Why should the HSP and similar outfits be any different? At most, the only money they should be getting via government is voluntary donations New Jerseyans check off on their state income tax forms.

Terry Wintroub Trafalgar Court Lawrenceville

#### Got a Minute?

There was a discussion at the June meeting of the Steering Committee regarding ways to convert prospects into members of the NJLP. Currently, anyone expressing an interest the NJLP receives a Welcome Pack and a free three-month subscription to the New Jersey Libertarian. The committee agreed it would be nice if a prospective member could receive more outreach material that would better represent what a great group the NJLP really is. Thev decided to compile a "Best of NJL" edition that would select past articles that could be particularly of interest to new members.

#### What can you do?

Do you have a favorite article from a past issue of NJL? Was there that one article that you gave to a non-Libertarian to read? You can help the NJLP by taking a minute to send an email to bestofnjl@njlp.org. It would be most helpful if you know the issue and page number of the article. If you have the time, visit the archive at

http://www.njlp.org/newsletters and click "archive" to browse past issues. Even if you can't locate the article you remember, please send your suggestion with as much information as you recall, and we will try to find your "best" and include it in the next "Welcome Pack".

#### Green Party Update

The Green Party will field 11 county and local candidates in the November General Election, according to its state website. This will be in addition to its 39 state legislature candidates as noted in the last issue of the New Jersey Libertarian.

The Green Party will contest two Freeholder seats in Bergen County and one each in Atlantic, Monmouth and Union counties. They will also run a candidate for Atlantic County Executive. As of this writing the Democrats were still looking for a replacement candidate in the latter race.

There will be a match-up between the Green Party and the New Jersey Libertarian Party's lone county candidate. This will come in Monmouth County where our candidate will be Len Flynn.

Green Party candidates will also seek five local offices in New Jersey. The NJLP will have one in Dr. John Taylor who will be running for Highlands Boro Council in Monmouth County.

Highlands is a small community of about 5,100 residents. Two Republicans and two Democrats will also be in the race increasing the possibility for an NJLP victory.

John has begun building a base of electoral support and with sufficient resources could win a council seat in November. He has organized a campaign committee, Taylor for Borough Council, and it has begun receiving contributions. To volunteer, contribute or learn more contact:

> Taylor for Borough Council PO Box 371 Highlands NJ 07732-0371

From the NJ Bartender Site http://www.cjnj.org/html/the\_nj\_bartender. html

#### Paterson Judge Contrite About... Nothing

Paterson Municipal Court Judge Gladys Mendoza Garbin's response to an ethics complaint: "Without admitting any unethical conduct or misconduct, and without admitting having been a cause of any inconvenience or harm, the Respondent [i.e. Judge Garbin] is fully contrite and remorseful for any inconvenience or harm suffered by any client, the Committee, and/or any member of the public as a result of any actions or inactions of the Respondent."

It seems to us that one cannot be truly remorseful or contrite unless one first admits to having committed the wrongdoing.

Calendar *State Board* – September 21, Tumulty's Pub, New Brunswick, 1PM

*Steering Committee* – October 14, Stefanelli residence, 7 PM

*General Meeting* – November 8 or 9 (to be determined); note that we will select delegates to the 2004 National Convention at this meeting

*Steering Committee* – December 9, Kaplan residence, 7 PM

*State Board* – January 18, Tumulty's Pub, New Brunswick, 1PM

*Steering Committee* – February 17, Ellett residence, 7 PM

*Annual Convention* – March 26/27, Atlantic City area; there will be a Friday evening reception to facilitate meeting the candidates for the Presidential nomination, with convention business the following day; the agenda is being developed.

#### NJLP Member Battles Township Asks NJLP For Guidance

Dear Emerson,

A while back, I told you about a situation that has been happening between my family and the township of Kenilworth. For the past three years, my family has been harassed by township officials. The reason? Because of a house that my family is renovating next door to the one we are living in.

The house since the early 1900s has been a three family house. Documentation has been provided by Trenton stating such and since that time has been taxed as such. The township, including members of the Kenilworth Fire Department, most notably Fire Chief Louis Giordano and Fire Sub-Code Official Anthony Peters, have been applying pressure on the town council to force my family to convert the house from a three family to a two family.

My family also wanted to construct a driveway. We got the okay for it from the town. Later it was rescinded after pressure was applied by Fire Chief Louis Giordano. My Father, who is in a wheel chair, was ticketed for destruction of public property. The public property in question was a side walk where my family got permission from the town to build the driveway in question.

For about a year, Fire Sub Code official Anthony Peters, prevented us from working on our home. While we passed all inspection requirements for electrical, building, plumbing and other, Mr. Peters' still wouldn't give us to the permits to finish construction on the house. To my brother, he once said the following: "I will give you the permit over my dead body."

My family appealed to the Department Of Community Affairs in Trenton. Trenton sent their own fire inspector to inspect our house.

We then received permission to finish the work on it. Mr. Peters' decision was overturned. The story did not end there, however.

Over a period of two years, Mr. Peters has passed by my street, along with his wife, giving my mother, brother and other family members the middle finger as well as giving out other obscenities. He further applied pressure on the township to not give my family a certificate of occupancy for the house. We are now, again, going to the Department Of Community Affairs in Trenton for an investigation.

Recently, I called the Institute For Justice to see if they could help us with our cause. I called today to see if they have received our questionnaire. They did. They also informed us that due to limited resources, they could not assist my family.

My family has an attorney that is handling the case for us. The case has been filed in the Superior Court of Union County, New Jersey.

The attorney is good, but I feel that he needs back up. Emerson, if you know of anyone that can help us with our cause, legally, socially, politically, please let me know. I would really appreciate it. Alex Pugliese Dear Alex,

I've referred your dilemma to Bob Hull, who has contributed the following tips.

- Emerson

Alex,

I've been in similar battles with "code officials". If I might offer some insight. Document every exchange with them. Get everything in writing, record all conversations and take pictures. Have witnesses with you if possible.

Do not get building permits unless the work you are doing is visible to the public and a permit is required. You will often be told a permit is required, when if fact one is not. Cover all windows. If an official wants to have an "inspection" and there is no permit, demand to see his search warrant. If he doesn't have one inform him he is trespassing, if he doesn't leave have him arrested.

"Code officials" need to be licensed in the field they are charged with overseeing, electrical, building, fire, etc. No official is licensed for all fields, at least I haven't found one. Check with the Dept. of Community Affairs to see if the inspector is licensed. It might also be useful to see if the official has in fact been hired by the council for the job he is performing.

Calls to the mayor and members of the council on a weekly or daily basis maybe of some use.

Once you've wound your way through the "courts" and paid attorneys fees and "resolved" this situation, chances are you'll only find three more situations have cropped up. And that you've become drained financially and emotionally. There is always the Free State Project.

#### **Voter Affiliation Totals Trail County Membership**

Bergen County has the greatest number of NJLP members with 61, according to a recent breakdown by county of our statewide membership. However only 17 registered voters in Bergen have formally affiliated with the Libertarian Party, the fourth highest figure among New Jersey's 21 counties.

The second highest number of NJLP members was in Monmouth County where there were 55. The county leads the state with affiliated voters at 48.

All told there were 571 state and/or national dues-paying Libertarian Party members as of the end of May. Morris and Somerset counties with 40 each and Ocean County with 39 round out the top five counties.

As the accompanying chart shows, in every county the number of affiliated voters -- those who have switched their party affiliation to the Libertarian Party -- lags behind the number of members in the county, often dramatically so.

For example, although Somerset County had 40 members, in a tie for third place, there were only 7 affiliated voters in the county. Burlington County had 30 members and Passaic 23, but they only had 2 affiliated voters each. Mercer County had 33 members but only 8 affiliated voters.

Of course not everyone who has affiliated is a member. Indeed as time goes on affiliation may become the first step to full membership, and hopefully activism, and the state party is expected to start making overtures to those nonmembers who have already affiliated.

But the fact that not every affiliated voter is a member makes the discrepancy between membership and affiliation figures so dramatic. We could probably double our affiliation total of 244 voters if only more members took the time to do so.

To affiliate simply complete the form on the next page and mail it to your county election board at the address shown.

| County     | Membership | Affiliation |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| Atlantic   | 17         | 6           |
| Bergen     | 61         | 17          |
| Burlington | 30         | 2           |
| Camden     | 34         | 29          |
| Cape May   | 7          | 2           |
| Cumberland | 5          | 3           |
| Essex      | 31         | 14          |
| Gloucester | 14         | 7           |
| Hudson     | 22         | 14          |
| Hunterdon  | 21         | 4           |
| Mercer     | 33         | 8           |
| Middlesex  | 31         | 17          |
| Monmouth   | 55         | 48          |
| Morris     | 40         | 15          |
| Ocean      | 39         | 18          |
| Passaic    | 23         | 2           |
| Salem      | 8          | 3           |
| Somerset   | 40         | 7           |
| Sussex     | 17         | 9           |
| Union      | 33         | 14          |
| Warren     | 10         | 5           |
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#### Show your true colors in NJ

At long last, you can register as a Libertarian. Fill out the form below and mail it to your county election board.

| <u>Atlantic County</u>        |
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| 1333 Atlantic Ave., 4th Floor |
| Atlantic City, NJ 08401       |

Bergen County 1 Bergen County Plaza, Room 310 Hackensack, NJ 07601

Burlington County P.O. Box 6000 Mount Holly, NJ 08060

<u>Camden County</u> P.O. Box 1066 Camden, NJ 08101

<u>Cape May County</u> 10-12 W. Mechanic Street Cape May Courthouse, NJ 08210

<u>Cumberland County</u> 60 Broad St. W., Suite 210 Bridgeton, NJ 08302

Essex County 33 Washington Street Newark, NJ 07102

<u>Gloucester County</u> P.O. Box 352 Woodbury, NJ 08096

Hudson County 595 Newark Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07306

Hunterdon County P.O. Box 2900 Flemington, NJ 08822-9952

<u>Mercer County</u> P.O. Box 8068 Trenton, NJ 08650

<u>Middlesex County</u> 777 Jersey Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901-3605

Monmouth County 300 Halls Mill Road Freehold, NJ 07728

Morris County P.O. Box 900 Morristown, NJ 07963-0900

Ocean County P.O. Box 2006 Toms River, NJ 08754-2006

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<u>Salem County</u> 90 Market Street Salem, NJ 08079-9856

Somerset County 20 Grove Street Somerville, NJ 08876-1262 Sussex County 18 Church Street Newton, NJ 07860-9965

Union County 271 North Broad Street Elizabeth, NJ 07207

Warren County 413 Second Street Belvidere, NJ 07823

#### Minutes of the NJLP General meeting of 5 July, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 2:18 PM by Vice-Chair Flynn, it being determined that a quorum – 15 members – was present.

The Agenda was adopted after addition of an item to consider outstanding Resolutions and Standing Rules. The Minutes of the 10 June Steering Committee Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer presented his report (\$13,000 on hand and liabilities of about \$2000).

Regarding Unfinished Business:

BCRA: Under appeal to Supreme Court.

Election Law: Steinhagen is seeking a meeting of the parties to discuss options.

Newsletter: Nothing to report. Boucher agreed to 'assemble' a "Best of the NJL".

Web Site: Nothing to report.

Strategic Plan: Nothing to report.

2004 Convention: Location is to be the Seaview Marriott north of Atlantic City.

Resolutions and Standing Rules: Paff moved that any rules and resolutions not written shall expire at the November General Meeting. Karlan seconded. Cragle reported on the confusing state of past meeting minutes necessary for implementation of this motion. Flynn wanted to appoint a codification committee to look into this matter, but that was objected to as being out of order while the motion itself was pending. Karlan moved, Allen seconded, to refer this matter to a committee to be constituted for this purpose. The referral passed on a voice vote. The committee consists of Paff (Chair), Flynn, Cragle, and Allen.

There was a recess for County Caucuses. The only changes reported out were the selection of Pat Bontempo as the Ocean county representative to the State Board and John Taylor as the Monmouth county representative.

Regarding New Business:

Reflecting the Agenda, Flynn introduced Hull's Bylaws amendment. Cragle objected that the item was out of order because the proposal was not included in the meeting announcement. The Chair overruled the objection. Paff appealed the ruling of the Chair. The appeal was sustained, and the proposal was removed from consideration.

Fundraising: Ellett and Flynn are working on the campus outreach letter.

Electronic Communication: Integration of the website and database continues.

Recruitment and Membership: We now have 588 members.

PR and Outreach: Nothing to report.

Candidate Recruitment and Support: John Taylor (Highlands borough council candidate) reported on his campaign.

Hull proposed a resolution that The NJLP endorses the Free State Project. The resolution was approved on a voice vote.

Paff moved that we recognize December 5 as the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the repeal of prohibition. The resolution was approved unanimously.

Future Meetings and Events:

- Monmouth County Fair July 24-27
- Steering Committee August 12, Ellett residence, 7 PM
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## Mark Your Calendar Now!

New Jersey Libertarian 2004 Annual Convention

March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Atlantic City, New Jersey

Speakers: Dean Ahmad John Berthoud Mary Ruwart LP Presidential Candidates

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