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State Convention 2007

Fund Drive Contest

Your state party is having a fundraising contest, based on money donated by **December 1, 2007**. At the 2007 State Convention, your State Committee was able to announce that we have already raised thousands of dollars for the 2008 ballot access drive. Those thousands of dollars will pay for many of the ten thousand valid signatures we need to place our candidates for President and United States Senate on the 2008 General Election Ballot.

Those thousands of dollars are **matching funds**. Before we can spend any of that money, we, the Libertarians of Massachusetts, need to raise corresponding thousands of dollars from pro-liberty people of Massachusetts. For every dollar we raise from you, one corresponding dollar will be available from the matching funds.

We need eight thousand dollars in matching funds. To spur Party members give generously to their party, Prizes will be given as gifts from Party members to the top five donors:

First Prize and Second Prize: To the top two donors, Art Torrey will give a bottle of his fine home-brewed honey wine. He notes "Federal Law doesn't allow me to sell my product, but I will GIVE one 750ml bottle to each of the two largest Ballot Access Project donors between now and the end of November."

Third, Fourth, and Fifth Prize: To the third, fourth, and fifth most generous donors, George Phillies will give an autographed copy of his gently libertarian SF novel "The Minutegirls". Art Torrey writes of *The Minutegirls* "(I've read a pre-publication copy, it's a fun read...")

For Donation Instructions, See Page 4, the Outside Cover.

October 6, 2007. Libertarians from across Massachusetts converged on Worcester for the 2007 Libertarian Party State Convention. A fine time was had by all. Full Minutes will appear in the next issue.

Highlight of the event was the Presidential candidate forum. Present in person were Michael Jingoian and George Phillies. Steve Kubby sent a surrogate to speak on his behalf. Wayne Allyn Root, whose campaign statement begins on page 2 of this issue, sent a fine video segment. The exchange with Jingoian and Phillies was taped for the State Party by State Committeeman Art Torrey. We hope to have it up in a publicly accessible place so soon as certain file transfer questions can be solved.

A new State Committee was elected in a very close vote. There were 11 nominees for nine positions. Only one vote separated the lowest winner from the two candidates who were not elected. The new State Committee is David Blau, Dick Clark, Carol McMahan, George Phillies, Dave Roscoe, Art Torrey, Bob Underwood, Mary-Anne Wolf, and Walter Ziobro.

Delegates were elected to the 2008 National Convention to be held over Memorial Day Weekend in Denver. The delegates elected at the convention are Carol McMahan, Richard Martin, George Phillies, Arthur Torrey, and Mary-Anne Wolf. Your Chair dropped the ball on one bit: I forgot to place in nomination a recent former delegate who telephoned me.

Fortunately, either the State Committee or and the delegation (once in Denver) can add additional delegates to the roster. If you are an eligible party member, and would like to be considered as a possible delegate to the next National Convention, please contact George Phillies phillies@4liberty.net 508-754-1859 who will forward your name to the state committee.

For the first time in many years, the state convention chose to adopt a platform dealing with many issues facing residents of Massachusetts. It will appear in the next issue.

Keep Your Money In Massachusetts!

Are you a **contributor**? Do you give money to pro-Liberty causes and campaigns around the country, using your checkbook to **Stand Up for Liberty!** by supporting pro-Liberty campaigns from sea to sea? Here's an idea for you:

Keep Your Money in Massachusetts! Give your funds to support pro-Liberty campaigners here in your home state. In Massachusetts, most pro-Liberty campaigns are run by unpaid volunteers. They may pay a secretary or petitioners or printers -- your friends and neighbors, people who will spend their money here at home. However, most pro-Liberty campaigns do not have hordes of New York advisors, Washington political consultants, Los Angeles spin doctors,... people who earn a living by taking your donations and, for services performed, giving themselves your money.

In particular, please give as generously as you can to the LPMass ballot access drive. We need to raise thousands of dollars in matching funds, to free up thousands of dollars we have conditionally received, in order to pay the petitioners needed to put our Party's Presidential candidate on the 2008 ballot.

In 2008, our Presidential and Senate campaigns (assuming that a Libertarian volunteers to run for Senate) will be the only opportunity that most people of Massachusetts will have to vote Libertarian. But our fellow Massachusetts residents will only have that chance on one condition: We Libertarians must actually get those candidates on the ballot. Getting them on the ballot requires at least 15,000 if not more raw signatures.

Besides, when you **Keep Your Money in Massachusetts**, you will contribute to the income of your fellow residents of Massachusetts, people who are your friends, neighbors, relatives, and potential customers.

When you spend your money here in Massachusetts, your money will actually be spent on advancing the cause of liberty through petitioners, fliers, radio and press advertisements, lawn signs,....

The November issue of Massachusetts Liberty was edited by George Phillis.

Wayne Allyn Root is a candidate for the Libertarian Party's 2008 Presidential nomination. His video was seen at the 2007 LPMass State Convention:

Wayne Allyn Root

ROOT for Liberty.
ROOT for Freedom.
ROOT for America!

My name is Wayne Allyn Root. My entire career has been spent in a variety of roles essential to success on the Presidential campaign trail- I am a successful entrepreneur, CEO, best-selling author, television producer and host, motivational speaker, and most importantly, a MEDIA MAGNET. The Libertarian Party has a great message, but that message gets lost without a great communicator to present it in dynamic and articulate fashion to the American electorate. But please do not get the wrong message from me- I do *not* think that communication skills are more important than the actual message. I am a lifelong Libertarian Conservative, modeled after my hero Barry Goldwater. My political views are fiscally conservative, socially tolerant, and above all else- *I'm a passionate and dedicated fighter for FREEDOM.*

I believe the number one goal of the Libertarian Party Presidential Candidate is to be a dynamic communicator- to get our popular message of freedom out to American voters and the American media. That means running a campaign like an entrepreneur builds a start-up business; being a prolific fundraiser to finance a high profile campaign; and being a dynamic, articulate, "world-class" speaker and debater who is an expert at the art of salesmanship and persuasion. The Libertarian Presidential candidate must be someone who knows how to get himself in front of the media. The Libertarian Party also needs a candidate who can create persuasive infomercials that will saturate the TV dial with the Libertarian message. My entire career has been spent creating, producing, funding and starring in record-setting national TV infomercials. *I am the right man for the LP Presidential nomination.*

Perhaps most importantly, the LP needs "fresh blood"- exposure to *new* voters, *new* volunteers, *new* contributors. There are 10 MM to 20 MM online gamblers and poker players in the USA. I am a nationally recognized name among these millions of gambling enthusiasts- I'm the author of multiple books about gambling, host of national TV shows appealing to gamblers for 22 years, and I've been honored with my own star on the Las Vegas Walk of Stars. Gambling enthusiasts and poker players feel outraged and violated by the new online gaming ban passed by Congress (a 21st century form of Prohibition)...this large and motivated electorate supports Internet freedom..and can be mobilized to support, contribute and vote Libertarian with myself at the top of the LP ticket. I

believe that I can raise \$10 each from 1,000,000 or more of them- that's \$10 MM from non-LP members. When was the last time that the LP had a candidate who brought that kind of built-in, outside-the-party, fundraising and support base?"

In closing, I am a true Libertarian- fiscally conservative and socially tolerant. I believe my views represent a majority of the American voting public. Sadly, this "silent majority" is no longer represented by either of the two major parties. Timing is not only important in life, it is often *EVERY-THING!* I believe the Libertarian Party is the right party, at the right time, for a *center right* nation that supports smaller government and more freedom for the individual.

I support drastically smaller government, fiscal responsibility (a balanced budget), reduced spending, reduced entitlements (including an end to corporate welfare), elimination of earmarks, reduced bureaucracy, a line item veto for the President, drastically reduced taxes and a dramatically simplified tax system (including the elimination of the IRS), elimination of the death tax, the freedom to choose personal retirement accounts for Social Security, freedom of school choice for parents, expanded rights for property owners and taxpayers, more freedom (and personal responsibility) for the individual, and I'm a strong champion of States' Rights. I support a dramatic move of responsibility from the federal government to state and local governments- where decisions will be made closer to the American people.

Republicans and Democrats both support the same thing- bigger government, less freedom, more rules and laws, expanded bureaucracy, and more taxes to pay for it all. If all we do as Libertarians is get out of people's way...lower the tax burden...get government out of your life...and stay out of Americans' bedrooms- **Libertarians have a winning message.** We are the party of freedom. We are the party of the American Dream! Now we need a dynamic, charismatic, articulate and *passionate* messenger to sell that message. *I am the man for the job.*

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AdWords Campaign Update

Your State Committee's AdWords campaign has run its course, reaching out to people across Massachusetts with short, pithy messages spurring Massachusetts residents to support our Party and its stands. So far, our campaign has generated more almost 400,000 reader exposures for a cost just over \$200.

Your donations can build a stronger outreach campaign. For more information on donating to our Libertarian Party of Massachusetts, so the donation form on the outside cover of the issue, or send your check to Libertarian Party of Massachusetts, 30 East Chestnut Street, Sharon MA 02067. Donations are not tax-deductible. State and Federal law require us to ask the occupation and employer of anyone donating \$200 or more.

Join the Libertarians and Party!

November Events

14 6:30 PM Pioneer Valley Libertarian Association, Hu Ke Lau Restaurant, Memorial Drive in Chicopee, Massachusetts. Dinner and work session.

17 6 PM Worcester County Libertarian Association. Starbucks Coffee, intersection of Grove St and West Boylston, look for the Curry College sign.

20 8 PM Lowell Area Liberty Association, Outback Steakhouse, Lowell. Event tentative—Billerica town meeting must have ended. **RSVP Mandatory. No RSVPs**, no event. Ask 'Arthur Torrey' <arthur_torrey@comcast.net>

December Events

2 1 PM LPMAss State Committee Meeting. **3:30 PM** at the hone of Steve Drobnis in Sharon. Contact steve@mrd.net for directions.

Give Now If You Want Ballot Access

Please Read Page One!

Your donation to the Ballot Access Matching Fund will help pay the costs of putting our Presidential and Senate candidates on the ballot for next fall. Without the success of the Ballot Access Fund, fellow Libertarians across Massachusetts will have no Libertarian to vote for. They might feel obliged to vote for a Democrat. Or a Republican. Please help save our fellow Libertarians from a dire fate! Give now for ballot access.

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