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UPDATES FROM THE CHAIR

by Andrew Kolstee LPNY Chair

I will fill everyone in on what is going on in the Libertarian Party of New York recently.

As you may be aware, the Libertarian Party of New York did not collect enough signatures to get our candidates, Chase Oliver and Mike ter Maat, on the ballot. We are discussing legal options, but at the very least, New Yorkers will need to write-in Chase Oliver/Mike ter Maat in order to vote for the Libertarian Party ticket.

Our State Committee elections are coming to a close at the end of this month, and the Elections Oversight Committee will meet to finalize certification of the results, which must be done by August 31, 2024. The new State Committee will be seated at the State Convention to be held on September 21, 2024. The Executive Committee is working on the final details for this and an announcement will be made soon. At this convention, a new Executive

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Committee will be elected.

2025 local elections will be coming up. Contact us if you are interested in running for local office next year and need assistance.

LOCAL OUTREACH

by Andrew Kolstee LPNY Chair

A few County Affiliates have tables and booths at local fairs and festivals.

Monroe County Libertarian Party had a booth at Rochester Pride. Steve Becker, Dave Reynolds, and Jack Terran ran the booth.

The Chautauqua County Libertarian Party also had a booth at the Chautauqua County Fair in Dunkirk, for the fifth time. Len Morlock, Andrew Kolstee, and Bob and Pat Peterson operated the booth.



VIP EVENT IN NEW YORK CITY!

Join us for an elevated

Only 10, \$250 tickets are available to this exclusive penthouse level, wine and cheese fundraiser event in Lower Manhattan. August 13, 7-9PM | RSVP today.

VOTECHASEOLIVER.COM



HELP US GET A3312 PASSED

This bill, if passed would lower the ballot access thresholds back to the previous standards: the number of votes needed to get ballot access to 50,000 (from 130,000 or 2%), and lower the petition signature requirement for a statewide office to 15,000 (from 45,000). Contact your representatives in the New York State Legislature and ask them to this bill! Contact Legislative Affairs Director Rich Purtell at rpurtell@lpny.org to get involved with pushing this bill.

MEET CHASE! WED., AUG. 14 | 7-9PM



Co-Hosted by Libertarian Party of Manhattan Chase will join the Manhattan

LP and NYC Libertarians at their county meetup.

85 Washington Pl, New York, NY

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COUNTY AFFILIATE NEWS

ALBANY

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CHAUTAUQUA

NEXT MEETING: Thurs., Aug. 1, 2024 @ 7:00 PM Lakeview Hotel & Resturant Mayville, NY and Zoom (1st Thursdays, except for July)

CONTACT: Len Morlock, Chair lmorlock@lpny.org Andrew Kolstee, Secretary akolstee@lpny.org

> LEARN MORE: www.chautauquaLP.org fb.com/chautauquaLP

CHEMUNG

NEXT MEETING: TBD at Ill Eagle Taphouse

CONTACT: Craig Colwell, Chair ccolwell78@gmail.com

> LEARN MORE: lpchemung.org

COLUMBIA

NEXT MEETING: Wed., Aug. 21, 2024 @ 7 PM Google Meet (third Wednesdays)

<u>CONTACT:</u> Scott Hoskins, Chair scottdhoskins@gmail.com

CORTLAND

<u>CONTACT:</u> Sam Hordeski, Acting County Chair/ County Liaison samuelh93@yahoo.com

CLINTON

CONTACT: Zachary Remian, County Liaison zremian@lpny.org (518) 310-6664

DUTCHESS

NEXT MEETING:

Sat., August 17, 2024 @ 5 PM Bella Italia Restaurant Route 9 Wappingers NY 12590 (3rd Saturdays)

<u>CONTACT:</u> Catrina Rocco, Chair Robert Cocomello, Vice-Chair info@dutchesscountylp.org

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ERIE

NEXT MEETING: Held Monthly via Zoom

<u>CONTACT:</u> Duane Whitmer, Chair chairman@eriecountylp.org

KINGS (BROOKLYN)

NEXT MEETING:

Tues., Aug. 20, 2024 at 3 PM @ Fourth Avenue Pub 76 4th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11217 (3rd Tuesdays)

<u>CONTACT:</u> Matthew Morgan, Chair matthewisaiahmorgan@gmail.com

MADISON

NEXT MEETING: TBD Hamilton Public Library

CONTACT: Mark Braiman, Chair mbraiman@lpny.org

MONROE

Contact the Monroe County Libertarian Party for meeting link. We also have monthly social meetings that you don't want to miss. There is also Google Group for announcements.

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., Aug. 1, 2024 @ 7 PM (first Thursdays)

> CONTACT: Steve Becker, Chair drsbecker@aol.com

LEARN MORE: monroecountylp.org

NASSAU

NEXT MEETING: Thurs., Aug. 8, 2024 at 7 PM @ Landmark Diner (2nd Thursdays)

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NEW YORK (MANHATTAN)

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NIAGARA

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NEXT MEETING: TBD

ONEIDA

<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Mon., July 15, 2024 @ 6 PM via Video Conference (3rd Mondays) *Contact Keith for link*

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ONONDAGA

NEXT MEETING: TBD

CONTACT: Rachel Becker, Chair reb4128@rit.edu

ORANGE

<u>CONTACT:</u> Juan Ayala, Chair livefree@juanrayala.com

PUTNAM

NEXT MEETING: Thurs., Aug. 8, 2024 at 7 PM at McCarthy's 374 Route 52, Carmel, NY 10512 (2nd Thursdays)

> CONTACT: Bill O'Donnell, Chair billod10704@gmail.com

QUEENS

NEXT MEETING: Sat., Aug. 11, 2024 @ 12 PM Donovan's Pub 57-24 Roosevelt Ave (2nd Saturdays)

<u>CONTACT:</u> John Clifton, Chair mrjclifton@yahoo.com

RENSSELAER

Since October 2022, the Rensselaer County Libertarian Party has been collecting food items and monetary donations to give monthly to StreetSoldiers Rensselaer.

NEXT MEETING:

Wed., Aug. 7, 2024 at 6:30 PM Alexis Diner, North Greenbush (first Wednesdays)

> CONTACT: Jennifer O'Connor, Acting County Chair joconnor@lpny.org

RICHMOND (STATEN ISLAND)

NEXT MEETING: Thurs., Aug. 15, 2024 @ 7 PM @ Coffee and Collectibles (3rd Thursdays)

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SARATOGA

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SCHOHARIE

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TIOGA

<u>CONTACT:</u> Sara Price, Chair sprice@lpny.org Rich Purtell, Vice-Chair rpurtell@lpny.org

ULSTER

NEXT MEETING: Mon., Aug. 12, 2024 at 6:30 PM Hickory BBQ, Kingston, NY (second Mondays)

<u>CONTACT:</u> Sam Kniffen, Chair samkniffen01@gmail.com

> LEARN MORE: www.UlsterLP.org

WAYNE

NEXT MEETING:

Sat., Aug. 25, 2024 at 10 AM Yellow Mills Diner 2534 NY-31 Palmyra, NY 14522 (last Saturdays)

CONTACT:

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WESTCHESTER

CONTACT: Rajib Maitra Acting County Chair/ County Liaison rajib.maitra1@gmail.com

YATES

CONTACT: Jeff Bradley, Chair jbradley@lpny.org

Don't see your county listed?

We are looking for Libertarians to organize new County Affiliates!

Contact us for more details!

affiliates@lpny.org

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STATE COMMITTEE: ELECTIONS NEAR COMPLETION

by Andrew Kolstee LPNY Chair

The 2024 State Committee elections are near completion! County Affiliates have until July 31, 2024 to elect their representatives. The following is the list of State Committee candidates for 2024!

After the deadline, the Elections Oversight Committee will convene to certify the results. The new State Committee will be seated at the State Convention scheduled to be held September 21-22, 2024.

Judicial District 1 (2 seats) Mark Axinn Morry Davis

Judicial District 2

(2 seats) Paul Grindle Gary Popkin

Judicial District 3

(2 seats) Justin Carman Evan Lebrecht Jennifer O'Connor* Gary Triestman

Judicial District 4 (3 seats) Zachary Remian Judicial District 5 (3 seats) Daniel Castello James Fitch Erinn Rose Leatherman Amber Nunes

<u>Judicial District 6</u>

Keith Redhead

(3 seats) Michael Boyce Mark Braiman *Craig Colwell** Charles Dorgan Samuel Hordeski Brandon Larsen Christopher Olenski

<u>Judicial District 7</u>

(4 seats) Steven Becker Justin Pelletier Sean Phelan James Ziobro

Judicial District 8

(5 seats) Maura Botsford Roy Scott Moseley Andrew Kolstee Leonard Morlock Michael Rebmann Wendi Szabo Jame Vandewalker Duane Whitmer

Judicial District 9

(3 seats) Robert Cocomello* Pietro Geraci Nicole Hewson Catrina Rocco William Schmidt

Judicial District 10

(6 seats) Jeffrey Denecke John Gemelli Jonathan Gunther Vincent O'Neill Christian Padgett Robert Schuon Blay Tarnoff *Randyn Tarnoff** Steven Torre

Judicial District 11

(2 seats) Francisco Olvera Mark Weinblatt

Judicial District 12 (1 seat)

Jeffrey Monheit

Judicial District 13

(1 seat) no candidates

*withdrawn candidates

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STATE COMMITTEE

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Duane Whitmer (JD8) Juan Ayala (JD9) **Robert Cocomello** (JD9) **Daniel Donnelly** (JD9) **Robert Greibesland** (JD9) William Schmidt (JD9) **Christian Vondras** (JD9) Jeffrey Denecke (JD10) Jonathan Gunther (JD10) Vincent O'Neill (JD10) George Ostrowski (JD10) Christian Padgett (JD10) Robert Schuon (JD10) Blay Tarnoff (JD10) Randyn Tarnoff (JD10) John Clifton (JD11) Francisco Olvera (JD11) Irwin Mark Weinblatt (JD11) Vacant (JD12) Vacant (JD12) Vacant (JD13) Vacant (JD13) Richard Purtell (ex-officio)

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