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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 Yorks would have to write-in Chase Oliver/Mike ter Maat in order to vote for the Liber-

tarian 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 quick. 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 / booths at local fairs.

Monroe County Libertarian Party had a booth at Rochester Pride (right). 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.





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.



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

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CHEMUNG

NEXT MEETING:

TBD

at Ill Eagle Taphouse

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

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

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NEXT MEETING:

Held Monthly via Zoom

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KINGS (BROOKLYN)

NEXT MEETING:

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

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NEXT MEETING:

TBD Hamilton Public Library

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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)

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NEXT MEETING:

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

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TBD

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NEXT MEETING:

Mon., July 15, 2024 @ 6 PM via Video Conference (3rd Mondays) Contact Keith for link

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TBD

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

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QUEENS

NEXT MEETING:

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

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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)

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

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ULSTER

NEXT MEETING:

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

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WAYNE

NEXT MEETING:

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

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Don't see your county listed?

We are looking for Libertarians to organize new County Affiliates!

Contact us for more details!

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STATE COMMITTEE: **ELECTIONS UNDERWAY**

by Andrew Kolstee **LPNY Chair**

The 2024 State Committee elections are underway! 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** Keith Redhead

Judicial District 6

(3 seats)

Michael Boyce Mark Braiman Craia Colwell* Charles Dorgan Samuel Hordeski Brandon Larsen Christopher Olenski

Judicial District 7

(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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Samuel Hordeski (JD6)

Vacant (JD6)

Christopher Olenski (JD6)

David Penner (JD6)

Steven Becker (JD7)

Jeffrey Bradley (JD7)

Justin Pelletier (JD7)

Sean Phelan (JD7)

Sean Fileran (SDT)

Marc Smith (JD7)

James Ziobro (JD7)

Vacant (JD7)

Vacant (JD7)

Vacant (JD7)

Vacant (JD7)

Erin Becker (JD8)

Maura Botsford (JD8)

Andrew Kolstee (JD8)

Francis Law (JD8)

Leonard Morlock (JD8)

Michael Rebmann (JD8)

Charles Roggen (JD8)

Jame VanDewalker (JD8)

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)

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Randyn Tarnoff (JD10)

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