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From The Chair Travis Nicks, State Chair

Hello Everybody,

Congratulations to long time Libertarian and IT/media guru, Wes Long, on his recent engagement. We wish you both a lifetime of happiness and we look forward to welcoming another registered Libertarian. (Or didn't you tell her that being Libertarian is part of the deal?!)

Only two months until the annual [State Convention](#). We have a race for the new State Party Chairman between [David Williams](#) and [Steve Gallant](#). Please be sure to check out these guys on their websites and at [our upcoming events](#). It is important that everyone get a chance to ask these candidates questions. I am confident that whoever wins will be an excellent State Chair.

In other news we lost one of the transparency battles. There is no shortage of legislation to fight and we still have time left in the legislative session. Please [subscribe to Liberty Alerts](#) to receive all the details as they are made available.

The Platform committee and the constitution and Bylaws committee are both preparing their reports for the annual meeting and they have some [good stuff to present](#).

If you are interested in serving on any committees please feel free to [contact us](#) through the website. We are always looking for new and innovative ideas.

Also, don't forget to [join the 1776 club](#) and support liberty on a daily basis. We really do run the daily operations of the party off of 1776 donations. You can find out more on our EXCELLENT website (thanks [Jamie](#) and [Mykl](#)).

Until next month.

Yours in Liberty,
Travis Nicks
Chairman



Letters To The Editor:

We need Better Leadership - By Chuck Wright:



Both state representative Dianne Primavera (D-Broomfield) and RTD board member Bill Christopher (Westminster district J) buy into the ridiculous idea that when government takes your money through political force and spends it on infrastructure projects that it somehow generates more economic activity than if you were able to spend your money yourself (see their respective Mar. 5 columns).

Construction job creation should not be used as a justification for government infrastructure projects because such justifications ignore all the economic activity that would have occurred had the taxpayer's money not been taken for the project. Such projects only shift economic activity from one place to another, which is a zero sum game.

It's the height of intellectual laziness or just plain dishonest to ignore the economic activity that doesn't take place when government takes money from taxpayers.

Libertarians say we don't need leaders who buy into junk economics. Instead we need leaders whose only goal is to protect individual rights.

NOTE: This letter to the editor was originally published in the Westminster Window on March 12, 2009

Who Is John Galt? - By Debbie Schum:



Currently, many writers and talking heads are making references to Ayn Rand's book, *Atlas Shrugged*, and its parallels to today's political climate. I completely agree, but have noticed it long before the current administration took power.

This was an eye opening book for me. I read it at a time when I felt a lot of outrage about how citizens are treated by the government and their toadies, and could not fathom what to do about it, short of serious revolution (which few of us want to be the instigator of).

One (partial) sentence really jumped out of that tome for me; one I have never forgotten—"The spectacle of pleas for pity, delivered as snarling hatred, in the form of threats and demands". I had seen this all around me my entire life, and couldn't quite name it---then there it was. I saw with new eyes the variety of spare changers who are angry, and believe you owe them something, and this idea that productivity is bad, greedy, selfish, and "need" is righteous, worthy, and moral.

Not many people care about philosophy anymore. And it shows. All politics and forms of government are based on philosophy. Which philosophy is the question.

I have heard many people say that public office is corrupting. I disagree. That's like saying "guns kill". A person with corrupted philosophical principles will be a corrupt politician. I'm not necessarily talking about graft, bribes, power-mongering and the like. I'm talking about well-intentioned empire building, altruistic robbery, equal-results minded dictatorship. In short, people who don't know the difference between their preferences and their rights. And who "rule" that way.

Our founding fathers borrowed freely from other historical forms of government. So what makes our form of government so different than anything else ever tried in history? A very simple philosophical principle: individual rights. This is the crux of the entire structure of freedom. The only way for life to be fair for all, in spite of our vast differences of preference and opinion, is the concept of individual rights. And I mean FAIR...not "utopian".

We are sovereign individuals, not subjects. Our rights are un-a-LIEN-able. Our rights should only have a lien on them if we have infringed upon the exactly equal rights of others.

How many times have you heard someone say something like: "We all have the same rights...EXCEPT _____" (fill in the blank: homosexuals, Catholics, women, blacks, Muslims, smokers, etc), and then they go on to justify their dislike of this group of people. It's much easier to decimate the rights of groups, than of individuals. Think of how obvious that would be: "we all have the same rights, except John Doe, because he hates

what I like". We are all entitled to our preferences and opinions. But we must retain the philosophical principle that those we dislike are still sovereign individuals with the same unalienable rights as we have, if we are to retain any semblance of freedom. I maintain that we have not lost our political fortitude so much as we have lost our philosophical principles. We surrender logic to emotions. We surrender sovereign individuality to "community", seeing the community as the first cause, filled with pieces, instead of knowing the community is a by-product of the individuals who live there. And believing others owe us, because we have need--that need somehow trumps ability, and desire over-rules productivity.

Back to the spectacle of pleas for pity:

"When you see that trading is done, not by consent, but by compulsion - when you see that in order to produce, you need to obtain permission from men who produce nothing - when you see that money is flowing to those who deal, not in goods, but in favors - when you see that men get richer by graft and by pull than by work, and your laws don't protect you against them, but protect them against you - when you see corruption being rewarded and honesty becoming a self-sacrifice - you may know that your society is doomed." -- Ayn Rand

Have you sacrificed your sovereignty and responsibility to threats and demands?

"The price of freedom is eternal vigilance" Thomas Jefferson

Into The Penalty Box! - By Eva Kosinski:



If you have ever watched Hockey, you've seen the scenario. One guy bumps a bit too hard or takes a swipe at a competing player, the guy who got hit, hits back, and *he* gets the penalty, because that's all the referee saw out of the corner of his eye. Happens all the time.

Much of the discussion about the responsibility for our current economic mess is similar. Most of us weren't watching when the situations that bred the economic plunge were put into place. We saw the last folks left holding the bag, and called the penalties on them. When the economy cascaded, the most obvious place to see the effects was Wall Street.

Plummeting stocks somehow meant this was all the fault of those traders and tycoons, even though the actual problem (the credit freeze-up) was the first hit. The market reacted strongly and got blamed. Life imitates sport.

Once you get to a certain age, a lot of patterns seem to recur. That sense of deja-vu takes hold and you think "last time this happened, it turned out the news reports were wrong ... I wonder what's behind it this time?" That little voice says "there's more to this than meets the eye."

So when I saw a commentator on CNN claim that the current path the government is taking may be too left for some folks, but that the capitalists and the free market have had their chance, and they screwed up our economy, that little voice said, "here we go again." Nothing is ever that simple.

There are a host of things that happened to cause the economic spasm, and the only way to sort it out is to see where the breakpoints are. Those are the places where one action without a corresponding plan B to protect against contingencies led to real problems.

For example, the person in front of you in traffic slams on the brakes and you hit him. His fault, right? Well, sometimes the breakpoint was actually back where you were (a) tailgating (b) going too fast for the amount of traffic (c) getting chewed out by your girlfriend on the cell phone or (d) had a 2 year old in the back seat screaming. Had he not stopped, you would have been fine, but *you* were distracted or weren't driving safely.

Some of the breakpoints in the economic meltdown:

Putting all the eggs in the same basket: Communities at least in CO were advised (by those associations that "train" and "assist" those elected to office) to invest as a group, thus maximizing their earnings from investments; where did they invest -- Lehman Brothers. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were lost to communities statewide. Had Lehman Brothers not failed, they would have been fine, but they put all their eggs in one basket, and *that* was the breakpoint.

Failing to Control Trading Up, Speculation and Flipping: House size is often a status symbol. Those in the know about home fix-up and the profits that could be made (believing that real estate could only ever increase in

value), bought homes they could not afford, certain that the market would always go up, and they could always make a profit to pay all the mortgages. Had they not overextended, the falling stocks and credit crunch would not have hurt them. 12% increase in home values for 2005 alone (higher in some states, and clearly not "sustainable") fueled these efforts.

[Click Here for the rest of the article.](#)

How to Talk About Bailouts and Stimulus, Deficits and Debt, and Taxes - By Martin L. Buchanan:



Fellow libertarians, I have file folders bulging with facts and figures about our economic crisis and government policies. Those details do not help you much when many people don't grasp the huge difference between million, billion, and trillion. What most people do grasp is that we are on the wrong path, and that both Republicans and Democrats have brought us down this path. In this brief article I want to share some good lines that you can use when talking about these issues, without getting into too much detail. Per family values in these quotes are based on 75 million families of four in a population of 300 million people.

BAILOUTS AND STIMULUS

Our government has committed about ten trillion dollars to financial bailouts and guarantees in the last year, or \$130,000 per American family. Republicans and Democrats are bankrupting us.

Last year the government borrowed money from China to send me a stimulus check so that I could go to Walmart and buy more stuff made in China. Whose economy does that stimulate?

Boeing makes planes. Intel makes computer chips. Banks make debt. Too much debt is what got us into this mess, so why are we giving the most money to the banks to create more debt?

Would we allocate a trillion dollars to bail out the worst, most degenerate gamblers in Las Vegas? Yet that is what we are doing by bailing out these banks. Credit default swaps and other derivatives are nothing but gambling bets in a big casino. Now taxpayers are paying the bill.

Let all the bad banks, all the bad auto companies, and all the bad insurance companies fail. Pay out the deposit insurance and the deposits will move to good banks. Let the derivatives markets learn that counterparty risk is real, when the taxpayers refuse to cover the losses on these private contracts.

DEFICITS AND DEBT

This year's federal deficit will be four times last year's deficit and ten times the deficit we had two years ago.

This year the federal government is borrowing nearly half of all the money it spends.

President Obama hopes to accomplish in three years something that took George W. Bush eight years: adding another four trillion dollars to the national debt.

The official federal debt of eleven trillion dollars puts each family \$140,000 into debt. Unfunded federal liabilities of \$56 trillion are more than \$700,000 per family. This year's deficit adds \$23,000 of debt per family.

Our government is bankrupt. Our choices are default, hyperinflation, huge tax increases, or much smaller government. Libertarians prefer much smaller government.

President Bush drove us full speed towards the cliff of federal bankruptcy. President Obama is pressing down on the gas pedal and driving us over that cliff.

TAXES

All of President Bush's tax cuts were phony, phony because he kept increasing spending and shifted the tax burden to future generations.

The tax code is a mess. Libertarians want taxes to be few, simple, and fair

Libertarians want much lower taxes, but the only way to have smaller taxes is to have much smaller government.

Government now consumes 40% of our income directly and probably another 10% through regulations, or half of all that we earn. Libertarians are the only party with a vision for much smaller, less intrusive, and less burdensome government.

You cannot support a European style welfare state by increasing taxes on just 2% of the people.

-- Martin L. Buchanan was the LP candidate in Colorado's First Congressional District in 2008. He is the author

of, [To Save America: How to Prevent Our Coming Federal Bankruptcy](#), \$14.00 at Amazon.com (<http://tinyurl.com/3buzz8>) or free to LP of Colorado contributors of \$17.76 per month or more.

2009 Constitution & Bylaws Committee Report

Introduction:

In accordance with a motion adopted by the Libertarian Party of Colorado Board of Directors on June 23, 2008, this Committee was created, to be chaired by the Records Director, to develop and submit proposals compiled into a report, to be submitted at the LPCO State convention, for changes to the LPCO Constitution & Bylaws. This Standing Committee is hereafter referred to as the LPCO Constitution & Bylaws Committee. This Standing Committee proposing changes to the LPCO Constitution & Bylaws was assembled consisting of the following members:

- [Steven Gallant](#) (LPCO Records Director) - Committee Chair
- [Jeffory Orrok](#) (LPCO Front Range Outreach Director)
- [Martin L. Buchanan](#)
- Joseph Thompson
- [Ralph Shnelvar](#)
- [Mike Spalding](#)
- [Travis Nicks](#) (LPCO State Chair)

Recommendations:

The LPCO Constitution & Bylaws Committee for 2009 respectfully submits to the Convention the following Libertarian Party of Colorado Constitution & Bylaws changes:

[Click Here For The Full Text Of The Report](#)

Questions regarding this report should be directed to:
Steven Gallant - Committee Chair
E-Mail: RecordsDirector@LPColorado.org
Phone: 303-384-3979

2009 Platform Committee Report

Please check <http://www.lpcolorado.org> for the proposed changes to the 2009 Libertarian Party of Colorado Platform.

LPCO 2009 State Convention Timeline

Event	Stipulation	Governing Text	Deadline	Scheduled
C&B and Platform Solicitation	at least six months before the convention	BYL Art VI Sec 2	11/17/08	04/14/08
C&B and Platform Final Solicitation	at least one month before final appointments	BYL Art VI Sec 2	12/13/08	12/06/08
C&B and Platform Final Appointments	at least four months before the convention	BYL Art VI Sec 2	01/16/09	01/12/09

Delegates must have been registered to vote as Libertarian on or before this date	at least ninety days before the convention	CON Art VII Sec 4	02/15/09	02/15/09
Application to run for US Senate, US House, or Governor	no later than sixty days before the convention (on applicable years)	CON Art VIII Sec 5	n/a	
End of Fiscal Year	the last day of March	BYL Art IV Sec 1	03/31/09	03/31/09
Call of the Convention Members must be notified of the time and place of the convention and the names of Congressional and Gubernatorial candidates on or before this date	at least forty five days before the convention	CON Art VII Sec 2	04/01/09	03/27/09
C&B and Platform Final Reports Due	at least six weeks before the convention	BYL Art VI Sec 5	04/04/09	04/04/09
Legal Notice Time and Place of Convention must appear in a newspaper of general circulation on or before this date	at least fifteen days before the convention	CON Art VII Sec 2	05/01/09	04/19/09
<u>LPCO 2009 State Convention Business Meeting</u>	at least sixty-five days before the primary election	CON Art VII Sec 1		05/16/09
National Delegate List Submission	within seven days after adjournment on applicable years	BYL Art VII Sec 6	n/a	
Constitution and Bylaws Filing (with Secretary of State)	within fifteen days of adoption	BYL Art II Sec 1	05/31/09	TBA

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Dave Williams

For State Chair



Current Legislative Director for the party.
Original member of the [PPC](#) and [LOTR](#).
[Blogger](#) for liberty since 2004.
Founder and President of the [Gadsden Society](#).
State Coordinator of Barr for President,
where we raised more money than any other state.
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The state convention is scheduled for May 16, 2009 at Platte River Academy.

Platte River Academy
4085 Lark Sparrow Street
Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

Please RSVP for yourself and however many guests you are bringing.
You can also RSVP by emailing Marc Goddard libertyactivist@hotmail.com directly.
Lunch is \$12/person if you RSVP by May 1st.
Lunch may be available for \$15/person at the door, but not guaranteed.

If you registered Libertarian after January 1, 2009,
please bring your voter ID card as proof of affiliation.

If you registered Libertarian after February 16, 2009,
you are welcome to attend the convention,
but you will not be eligible to vote.

The following state board positions are up for election at the 2009 convention:

- Chair
- Campaigns
- Media
- Membership
- Publications
- Western Slope Outreach

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Vote Steven Gallant For LPCO Chair



I'm Steve Gallant and I'm running for State Chair.

I've represented the Libertarian Party for eight years and served on the LPCO State Board for six years. I believe that I can bring a great deal of experience and insight to the position of State Chair. I plan to keep what works and fix what doesn't.

I would appreciate your vote at the [2009 convention](#).

For more information on me and my campaign, please visit: <http://GallantForChair.com> or give me a call at: 303-384-3979.

F.R. Outreach Report

By Jeff Orrok, Front Range Outreach Director

As of March 2, there are 8,386 active and 2,931 inactive for a total of 11,317 registered Libertarians, an increase of 0.44% from the Feb 2 posting. Don't be surprised to see the number bounce around as the individual counties purge voters (or not) according to their whims. There were no speaking events since last month's report. Twitter followers and referrals from lp.org continue to trickle in.

At the moment, I have not yet reloaded and reindexed the new dump to correct the date fields -- probably early April. I spoke with a couple of students regarding the possibility for doing outreach on various college campuses (campi?), but firm plans have yet to be made. I am trying to persuade Causes (an associate of Facebook) to let us be a beneficiary, but I am not optimistic that they will extend to us the same consideration as they do the two major parties. I am gathering the necessary paperwork to secure non-profit status at PrideFest; hearty gratitude to a generous donor for covering that booth fee. LPAC staffed a table at the RK Gun Show on the 14th and 15th of March. We had an outreach training the evening of Sun Mar 15 following the LPAC monthly meeting.

URGENT -- We still need money for Peoples Fair, whose deadline has been extended one week, to April 10.

We are registered for a **Voter Registration Drive** at the Cinco de Mayo celebration in downtown Denver. We paid \$350.00 to participate, which means that it is imperative that YOU help make the expenditure worthwhile; either with your generous financial contribution, or with your time over the two day event.

To support the effort with your money, use PayPal and [click here](#).

To support the effort with your time, use [Meetup](#) and choose a shift below.

Saturday May 9th, 2009 Cinco de Mayo Libertarian Voter Registration Drive Shifts:

1. [9:00am - 1:00pm](#)
2. [1:00pm - 5:00pm](#)
3. [5:00pm - 9:00pm](#)

Sunday May 10th, 2009 Cinco de Mayo Libertarian Voter Registration Drive Shifts:

1. [9:00am - 1:00pm](#)
2. [1:00pm - 5:00pm](#)
3. [5:00pm - 9:00pm](#)

[Sign Up Here](#) Or Click A Shift Above!

We are still in urgent need of funds so that we can take advantage of the lowest rates!

People's Fair: \$225 for a double-wide + \$100 if we want to sell things.

\$125 PAID FOR BY: The Libertarian Party of Arapahoe County (LPAC)

URGENT -- APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 10 WE STILL NEED AT LEAST \$100

Pridefest: \$325 (single non-profit premium). PAID FOR BY A GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION FROM AN LPCO MEMBER.

Monthly Pledge Program

Monthly donations are the best way to help make a political difference. Although contributions are not tax-deductible, we have fixed expenses. Campaigns and events cost money. Choose an amount per month below, and PayPal will automatically send us your donation each month. Don't have a PayPal account? Click any button below and use your credit card or bank account instead. We've made it so easy, there really is no excuse for not contributing right now.

Join the "Nickel Club!"

Donate \$5.00 each month easily using PayPal.

Receive a Libertarian bumper sticker and outreach handouts for friends.

Join Now!



Join the "Copper Club!"

Donate \$10.00 each month easily using PayPal.

Receive a Libertarian bumper sticker, outreach handouts for friends, and a Libertarian cap.

Join Now!



Join the "1776 Club!"

Donate \$17.76 each month easily using PayPal.

Receive a Libertarian bumper sticker, outreach handouts for friends, a Libertarian cap, and the book, "*To Save America: How to Prevent Our Coming Federal Bankruptcy*" by Martin L. Buchanan.

Join Now!



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BECOME A VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

OPPORTUNITY to help liberty: Volunteer Coordinator for the Libertarian Party of Colorado. This person will use their people skills to find, motivate, and guide the various volunteers that contact the LPCO, matching the volunteer interests to the needs of the organization. This is a volunteer position for a political party that showed 40% growth in the past year and has a Board of Directors that is committed, interesting, and active in the community. A one year commitment with an average of 4-6 hours per week is needed. Please contact membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org with interest and questions

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Legislative Report

By **David K. Williams, Jr.,** Legislative Director

Please forward this information to friends and family who are concerned about defending our freedoms!

Urge others to sign up to receive free liberty alerts at:

<http://lpcolorado.org/lpcolibertyalerts.aspx>

You can read past "LPCO Liberty Alerts" at:

<http://lpcolorado.org/lpcolibertyarchive.aspx>

Sign-up to receive free e-mails from the National Libertarian Party at:

<https://www.lp.org/signup>

Support the Libertarian Party of Colorado by joining the 1776 Club:

<http://lpcolorado.org/donate.aspx>

Membership Report

By **Clint Jones**, Membership Director

The Google Docs county lists (7368 registered Libertarians who included their phone numbers when registering) have been distributed. Callers are still needed for several counties and regions.

Several people, in addition to the four on the committee, have volunteered to take a group of names and make these calls using the short script developed and they are logging their calls into the database.

If others want to volunteer for making 100 - 500 calls by September 1 (500 is only 83 calls per month or 20 calls per week - about an hour and a half per week) please contact [Clint Jones at membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org](mailto:membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org) to get instructions for Google Docs and a short script for the calls.

Step forward now by [Clicking Here](#).

As a trial run, I have made 154 calls, including call backs, on the Denver County list and have reached 72 people. Of those 72, 25 registered Libertarians newly [Subscribed to the Colorado Liberty E-Newsletter](#), and 28 requested an [Activist Form](#) and/or a [Contribution Form](#). Those were mailed/emailed in March.

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MEMBERSHIP CONTACT COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER

The Membership Contact Committee will be making phone calls to all members to inform them of the upcoming annual meeting and to ask for participation in our 2009 membership survey. We will also remind members that newsletters are [delivered via email and archived online](#). If you are interested in helping with phone calls to members, please contact:
[Clint Jones \(membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org\)](mailto:membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org).

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Publications Report

By **Jaime Brown**, Publications Director

We hope to see you at the state convention on May 16, 2009 at [Platte River Academy](#).

[Platte River Academy](#)
4085 Lark Sparrow Street
Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

Please RSVP (include the number of guests you plan to bring).

In your comments, please indicate if you want lunch. You can also RSVP by emailing [Marc Goddard libertyactivist@hotmail.com](mailto:Marc.Goddard@libertyactivist@hotmail.com) directly.

Lunch is \$12 if you RSVP by May 1st.

Note: Lunch may be available for \$15/person at the door, but is not guaranteed.

The Business session begins at 8:00 am.
Please consider a donation as well.

From Vote Hemp:

"Over the past decade, the U.S. has labored under an [industrial hemp policy](#) that was set by the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) under the Clinton Administration and continued into the Bush administration, which culminated in the DEA trying unsuccessfully to [ban hemp foods](#).

Right now, the most important thing you can do is [write your Congressional representatives](#) and ask them to co-sponsor the Industrial Hemp Farming Act of 2009! Over 1,200 Vote Hemp supporters like you have written so far. If you have not done so already, please [click here](#) and take action today. "

Legalizing Marijuana: Ron Paul vs. Stephen Baldwin

From Mercatus Center, George Mason University:

"This paper presents the first-ever comprehensive ranking of the American states on their public policies affecting individual freedoms in the economic, social, and personal spheres. We develop and justify our ratings and aggregation procedure on explicitly normative criteria, defining individual freedom as the ability to dispose of one's own life, liberty, and justly acquired property however one sees fit, so long as one does not coercively infringe on another individual's ability to do the same.

This study improves on prior attempts to score economic freedom for American states in three primary ways: (1) it includes measures of social and personal freedoms such as peaceable citizens' rights to educate their own children, own and carry firearms, and be free from unreasonable search and seizure; (2) it includes far more variables, even on economic policies alone, than prior studies, and there are no missing data on any variable; (3) it uses new, more accurate measurements of key variables, particularly state fiscal policies.

We find that the freest states in the country are New Hampshire, Colorado, and South Dakota, which together achieve a virtual tie for first place. All three states feature low taxes and government spending and middling levels of regulation and paternalism. "

Records Report

By **Steven Gallant**, Records Director

I compiled and filed the minutes and reports for the previous Board meeting.

Jim Frye provided an update on recent records activity:

1. Jeff Orrok provided a dump of the 11,100+ registered Libertarian voters from the new SOS data disk.

Note: Jeff Orrok checked with the SOS office. They did not do a purge this year. Their explanation is that they are now leaving it up to the individual counties to do their own purge before passing their records on to the SOS.

2. Orrok provided to Clint Jones and Frye a separate spreadsheet for Jones' calling project. This includes over 7,000+ LP voter records with phone numbers. This spreadsheet had 11 tabs that broke down the geographic areas to:
 - a. Denver /Douglas /El Paso
 - b. Adams /Arapahoe /Boulder -Broomfield
 - c. Jefferson /Larimer /Weld-FR
 - d. WS1 /WS2
3. Frye separated that one spreadsheet into 4 separate spreadsheets.
4. Jones uploaded these 4 spreadsheets to Googledocs.
5. Jones is now ready to have his calling group start making calls.

6. Each of the callers:
 - a. Will have their own Googledocs account
 - b. Will access these centrally located docs, to work off of one document
 - c. Will update the spreadsheet as they are making calls
7. Jones will manage the call activity, view the progress weekly and will follow up with mailings, etc. based on the spreadsheet information.
8. Frye also provided Jones with a spreadsheet of 4,000+ LP voter records without phone numbers that Jones may use for future mailings.

Treasurer Report

By **Leah Kelley, Treasurer**

Currently, the LPCO has a **Negative** Balance Sheet.

We're not the Federal Government, so we cannot continue to lose \$150.00 - \$700.00 each month.

Wanted; 1776 Club members to keep our recurring monthly expenses paid.

Libertarian Party of Colorado February 1 - March 1, 2009 Income	
Income	%
Donations	100%
Total % of Income	100%

Libertarian Party of Colorado February 1 - March 1, 2009 Expenses	
Expenses	%
Bank Charges	0.37%
Credit Card Fees	5.59%
Membership Expenses	5.32%
Office	0.21%
Publications	12.38%
Rent	30.95%
Utilities (Total)	45.18%
Total Expenses	100%

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