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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Liberty Now

Saturday November 3, 2012, 9am-5pm  
Victoria College, University of Toronto  
91 Charles Street West, Toronto



Liberty Now is a festival promoting freedom, liberty and individual rights. Ideas are the most powerful forces in our society. Restoring true individual freedom means to restore peace, prosperity and stability. Sound money, free markets, non-aggression and the downsizing of government are the first steps in this direction.

Keynote speaker is Stefan Molyneux, host of Freedom Radio. Speakers include: Prof. Emeritus Jan Narveson, University of Waterloo; Justice Marvin Morten, Law Enforcement Against Prohibition; Gerry Nicholls, Canada's Post-Partisan Pundit; Doretta Wilson, Society for Quality Education; Chris Schafer, Canadian Constitution Foundation; and others.

To register visit [www.libertynow.ca](http://www.libertynow.ca) or call 416-624-8848

### Annual General Meeting

Sunday November 4, 2012 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
Victoria College, University of Toronto  
91 Charles Street West, Toronto

The primary activity at this meeting will be candidate training and a discussion of our Full Slate Election strategy and our Platform. At the business portion of the meeting we will elect two Members-at-Large and two members of the Ethics Committee. The fee is \$30.00, including lunch.

To register visit [www.libertarian.on.ca/AGM](http://www.libertarian.on.ca/AGM) or call the Party at 416-283-7589 or toll free 1-855-668-5423.

*Make it a Weekend for Liberty and attend LIBERTY NOW on Saturday and the AGM on Sunday.*

*"It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become prey to the active. The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance."*

*John Philpot Curran, 1790*

THE PARTY OF CHOICE - Our Vision is communities of freedom, harmony and abundance.  
The Mission of the Party is to enable endless possibilities through recognition of, respect for and protection of individual liberty.

## LIBERTARIAN PUB NIGHTS

Come on out and meet other Libertarians from the area in an informal, friendly atmosphere. Come discuss how we should prepare for a possible snap election sometime in the next 18 months, and whatever else is on your mind. No cover charge. Order dinner and/or drinks and pay your own tab. For more information visit [http://libertarian.on.ca/pub\\_nights](http://libertarian.on.ca/pub_nights)

### EVERYONE IS WELCOME - BRING A FRIEND

#### HAMILTON - Saturday September 15, 7:00 PM

The Snooty Fox, 1011 King Street West (905-689-8196)

#### WATERLOO - Thursday September 20, 7:00 PM

Benny's Lounge, 183 Weber Street (519-884-8074)

#### OTTAWA - Saturday September 8, 1:00 - 4:00 PM

O'Brien's Eatery and Pub, 1145 Heron Road.

#### STOUFFVILLE - Wednesday September 27, 6:00 PM

The Lion of Stouffville, 5917 Main St. (905-642-1344)

#### TORONTO - Wednesday September 12, 7:00 PM

The Granite Brewery & Restaurant, 245 Eglinton Ave. E. (416-322-0723)

*For more information or to organize a monthly Libertarian meeting in your area, contact the Party at 416-283-7589 or 1-855-ONT-LIBerty (1-855-668-5423)*

## View from the Fringe: Moving to the Mainstream by Allen Small, Leader

*"The way to attract voters is to attract media attention, become part of the sideshow."*

That was a comment I made in the Summer Bulletin, and I'm pleased to report that we have made some progress toward that goal.

It has been a productive summer for Ontario Libertarians.

In June, our successful caucus meeting in Woodbridge began the rewrite of the Party Platform that is proceeding on the Party Wiki site. Any Party member is invited to join the Wiki ([wiki.libertarian.on.ca](http://wiki.libertarian.on.ca)) and may wish to contribute their thoughts.

July brought our first marketing appearance at the Toronto Pride Parade, and our first serious attempt at gathering a Full Slate of

Libertarians across Ontario in anticipation of the next general election. That was combined with a one-week Money Bomb that ended early in August to give us a nice fundraising bump in midsummer. As of this writing, we can theoretically place 78 candidates in the 107 provincial ridings. But potentially we know that we can fill every riding based on previous indications from our members. So now, we need those members to step up to confirm and commit.

A Full Slate in the next election will allow each candidate to choose his or her level of involvement. Some of our candidates will be active with signs and pamphlets, attending meetings, and going door-to-door. Others may not even live in the riding they represent and will be involved only to the extent that their name appears on the ballot. The goal of having a candidate in every riding we believe is a necessary first step to getting a Libertarian elected to the Legislature. The organization, commitment and money, required to do that will put our opponents and the media on notice that Ontario Libertarians are moving away from the fringe. By contesting every seat, we will make our presence felt especially in close races. If you think you can commit to being a candidate, now is the time to let us know.

Over the past few months, we have been posting and distributing media releases on a variety of topical issues. All of the media releases are available for viewing on our Party website. One of those releases secured a radio interview for me on CFRB 1010 Toronto in mid-August, that led to a longer interview a week later on CFRA 580 Ottawa. You may listen to both of these interviews by clicking the YouTube icon at the top right of our website and following the links.

By the time you read this note, the by-elections in Kitchener-Waterloo and Vaughan will be history. Allan Dettweiler was our candidate in Kitchener-Waterloo, and Deputy Leader Paolo Fabrizio carried our banner in Vaughan. It was a repeat run for Paolo, who polled more votes than the Green candidate in the October 2011 election, a hopeful sign for the future. The outcome of these elections could affect the minority status of the government and therefore our Full Slate campaign.

A continued minority could trigger an election at any time, possibly by spring 2013; a Liberal working majority means the next election will probably be October 2015. In either case, we intend to pursue the Full Slate. The current global and local financial mess presents us with an opportunity now, and for the foreseeable future to challenge the Ontario electorate with radical new ideas like reducing government spending and debt, while increasing economic and civic freedoms along with consumer choice. Yes, those and other crazy ideas.

## Ten Mistakes Libertarians Make

by Richard Rocket Lorenc

On Tuesday [August 21, 2012], Liberty on the Rocks Chicago asked me to speak about the coming libertarian revolution. I told the group that libertarians have a chance now to become relevant politically, but we'll ruin those chances if we make certain mistakes when talking with "undiscovered libertarians" (people who don't yet know their political beliefs are basically libertarian).

So I made a list of ten mistakes libertarians make when talking with these folks. There are certain to be more, but these are the mistakes

I have to remind myself not to commit constantly.

1. *Replying to a concern, "The market will handle it."* This tired phrase is like a crutch for free marketeers. For many of us, it's like our last line of defense when we expect to deal a winning blow and have no backup when it fails. The only time you should say this is as a joke to your libertarian friends.

2. *Blurting, "XYZ doesn't matter."* Just because we don't think government should do a thing doesn't mean we don't think that thing doesn't need to be done. We should never give them impression someone's concern is unimportant. Mind your words carefully.

3. *Using jargon.* Most people have never thought conceptually about the spontaneous order. Quoting passages from *The Fatal Conceit* in a casual political conversation won't plant the seeds of a true believer.

4. *Being cliquy.* We tend to hang out with people who "get" us and who "get" what we're talking about. The problem is we sometimes make libertarianism seem like an exclusive club that only certain people can join. Welcome the newbies. We need them.

5. *Acting holier-than-thou.* Libertarians are overly convinced that our consistency and principle are superior. Truthfully, we each have many things to learn and we're each inconsistent in our beliefs and actions. Libertarianism may be better than any alternative political philosophy, but it's not perfect, so speak humbly.

6. *Telling people not to vote.* This is an important question, but telling a Republican or Democrat activist that their vote doesn't matter is like telling someone their work at the homeless shelter is worthless. People put time into causes in which they believe and don't appreciate you implying their efforts don't matter.

7. *Raising your voice.* Someone said the reason we shout during arguments is because we lack confidence in what we're saying. Avoid saying things you only just heard and didn't take the time to verify. You'll find your tone of voice becomes a lot friendlier and your arguments become a lot stronger.

8. *Thinking you've heard it all.* U of I professor Deirdre McCloskey explains: "Over the front door of the late-medieval city hall in the Dutch city of Gouda is the motto of the first modern economy, the first large society in which commerce and innovation instead of state regulation and social status were honored. It says, *Audite et alteram partem*—Listen even to the other side. It's good advice for a society of the bourgeoisie, and for a classroom for students of philosophy." And it's good advice for libertarians.

9. *Calling anyone a statist.* Few people know what that means, and unless you're arguing with a Stalinist, nothing constructive ever comes from using the term. Most people will walk away believing you insulted them. Use "statist" at your own peril.

10. *Digging in.* Stay loose. Politics is the art of the possible. If you want to play, prepare to negotiate the things you value least for those you value the most.

*Richard Rocket Lorenc, Member of the Board of Directors at Coalition to Reduce Spending*

## Ron Paul's Raw Milk Revolution

by Brent McCulloch

Over the last year I have watched many a Ron Paul speech with a new-found excitement for politics. I am always humoured when he talks about our right to choose to drink raw milk and the reaction it draws. Perhaps he is afraid of getting pigeonholed as a 'pro-drugs' candidate by the main stream and he has found a great parallel example in raw milk.

Here's a bit of history. After human consumption of raw milk for some 30,000 years, the 1940's apparently represented high-time for some government control. At the beginning of the 1940's though, consumers had a choice. Raw-milk farms and pasteurized-milk farms co-existed. There were 5.4 million farms in America, and an astounding 3.7 million of them had milk cows. Farmers would often sell their milk, raw, to neighbours or through local distribution networks.

You might guess what happened next as this is a common theme with government regulation. Big business factory farms pushed the government to create a barrier to entry for local farmers wanting to sell their product to their own community. Apparently they don't like competition. Pasteurization laws were born. Small farmers were now forced to purchase expensive equipment to process milk if they wanted to sell it locally. Most of course, got out of the business.

This was all done on the back of a misinformation campaign aimed at convincing the public of the dangers of raw milk. A series of articles in popular magazines in the mid-40's served to frighten the public. Ladies Home Journal claimed, without any documentation, that tens of thousands of people in the US suffered from fever and illness because of exposure to raw milk. Next year Coronet magazine followed with an article by Dr. Robert Harris. His article was later repeated in The Progressive and The Reader's Digest. In the article Dr. Harris describes a frightful epidemic of undulant fever caused by raw milk – an epidemic that spread rapidly and killed one out of every four citizens in Crossroads, U.S.A. According to Dr. Harris "Crossroads, U.S.A., is in one of those states in the Midwest area called the bread basket and milk bowl of America... What happened to crossroads might happen to your town – to your city – might happen almost anywhere in America." But... there was no Crossroads, and no epidemic! Dr. Harris admitted this in a subsequent interview. The outbreak was fictitious and represented no actual occurrence. So, why do we care? Choice is paramount to freedom. Here's a few other reasons:

### Nutrition

Research has shown a decrease in manganese, copper, and iron in milk after pasteurization. The FDA also acknowledges that pasteurization destroys a substantial portion of the vitamin C in milk, and sterilization is known to significantly impair the bioactivity of vitamin B6 contained in milk. Beta-lactoglobulin, a heat-sensitive protein in milk that is destroyed by pasteurization, increases intestinal absorption of vitamin A, so the supplemental vitamin A in conventional milk may be harder to absorb. Unpasteurized milk is superior in vitamin and mineral content overall.

### Enzymes

Enzymes help us digest our food and occur naturally in any raw food, including raw milk. When raw foods, including raw milk, are exposed to temperatures above 118 degrees as they are during pasteurization, the naturally occurring enzymes in the food break

down and are no longer able to provide the function for which they were designed. This places a burden on your pancreas. Many people gradually impair their pancreas and progressively lose the ability to digest their food after a lifetime of processed foods.

### Tolerance

Many people experience digestive and other problems when they consume pasteurized milk, but have no trouble with raw milk. The FDA insists that unpasteurized milk has no probiotic effect or any other characteristic that could explain this phenomenon. But the collective experience of raw milk consumers suggests otherwise. The Weston A. Price Foundation conducted an informal survey of over 700 families, and determined that over eighty percent of those diagnosed with lactose intolerance no longer suffer from symptoms after switching to raw milk.

### Flavor

Emily Weinstein, blogging for The New York Times, describes her first raw milk experience: "The milk — oh man, the milk! — was creamy and full of flavors, not white like supermarket milk, but yellow-tinged. It was milk with a taste that wasn't just defined by its texture — it was distinct, satisfying, delicious. All food should be like this, I thought, so natural it seems to redefine the word."

While flavor alone is not reason enough for choosing raw milk, it is clearly a driving force in many consumers' decisions.

### Ethics

For those of us that care how animals are treated, obviously cows that live on small farms and spend their days on green pastures, as they do on local raw-milk farms, are much better off than those that live in overcrowded and inhumane factory farm conditions. When confined in small spaces under stressful conditions, cows often become ill and are treated with large quantities of antibiotics. They are more prone to morbidity and mortality from diseases including dust-related respiratory conditions, metabolic diseases, and other ailments that can be directly attributed to their confined conditions, as well as their unnatural diet of corn, soy, and other grains. Pasture-raised cows have longer life spans than conventionally raised cows, as corn-based diets contribute to health problems such as liver abscesses, and breeding practices designed to maximize milk production have caused reproductive problems. By visiting small farms and purchasing raw milk from pastured cows, compassionate consumers can be assured that the animals are properly treated.

So, after all that is there any legitimate reason that we should be concerned about raw milk? Well, with any raw food there's a risk of salmonella, and that can be quite dangerous for infants. Milk requires due diligence in handling and processing. However, modern farming and handling practices eliminate the risks that existed in the milk supply at the dawn of the twentieth century. One notable NY Times article from 1874 describes the adulterants added during the processing of sick cow's milk by shady dealers: "molasses, salt, and annatto to improve its color, and chalk, starch, and the brains of different animals to improve the general appearance of the milk."

I wouldn't buy milk from that farm. These days raw milk farms are reputed to have much cleaner and more sanitary conditions than large-scale dairy farming businesses. Maybe if the government wasn't so busy making decisions on what we can consume, we'd look to the benefits of raw milk and see that its benefits far outweigh the risks of pasteurized milk.

*Find an expanded version of this article with full citations on the Ontario Libertarian Party blog: <http://www.libertarian.on.ca/blog>*

## Property Rights and Our Constitution (Part 2)

by Jean-Serge Brisson

In the last Bulletin, the first part on Crown Land Patent Grants explained what CLPG's were and how they worked.

In this installment, the "why" CLPG's have been "forgotten" and dropped as a historic legal reference for any privately owned land or property will be examined as well as why there are people who would disagree with CLPG's legality. CLPG's deserve the attention that they are now getting, thanks to the Ontario Landowners Association.

Over the years, the references to the CLPG has slowly been hidden from common knowledge in the transfer of any property for several reasons.

The first was a change in the law which only required a title search to go back 40 years to verify the title of any property and the conditions or restrictions that might exist that related to that particular property.

No longer do they research the entire history of the property being sold, which means that any and all portions of the original agreement or any subsequent agreement describing the conditions put on the piece of land when the CLPG was originally issued are "forgotten", resulting in property owners not knowing their private property rights.

One of the reasons why this was done was to cut down on the time that lawyers had to spend researching a title. Less time spent researching one title allows the lawyer to research multiple titles in the same amount of time that they would spend on one title, but still able to charge a hefty fee per title.

This is basically the natural process of putting profit before anything else, but is not the best process for protecting the new owner of the said property.

Another reason for dropping all references to the CLPG is because many of the Acts and laws that have been passed by provinces to regulate private lands and laws which also allow municipal governments to regulate private lands, would be invalid. This would contravene the CLPG because the Patents define that, unless expressed in the Patent, the property owner can do anything they wish with their property, providing the property owner respects his duty to not commit Torts against others when using their own property. CLPG's do not allow anyone to dictate what the property owner can do with their own land. If this fact holds up in a court of law, it would render provincial Acts, provincial laws and all bylaws regulating what a private individual can and cannot do with their land, null and void. Which is why many politicians, bureaucrats and even lawyers, are very alarmed by the increased interest in CLPG's.

The CLPG's would basically terminate any actions that are currently in process by provincial and municipal governments in regards to who can do what on their private land.

In the past few years there has been a movement, by government to destroy supporting documentation in the Registry Offices, in regards to easements, cleared mortgages, old deeds, covenants, old wills, that support either clear title and/or show what limitations

have been designated by a previous owner.

The question that begs to be asked now is; if it is true, why does the province feel the need to take such an action.

Those who are raising the questions and arguments in opposition to the legal reliance on these Patents, have their own agendas such as introducing their own version of how to entrench property rights in our Constitution.

Their belief is that it is only by having private property rights enshrined in the Charter that property rights could be protected.

They argue that a CLPG is nothing more than an "archival record of transfer."

They also argue that a CLPG is not a contract because there is only one signature on the document. The question if this is so, then why are there specifications of what the Crown can come and take from the land if certain circumstances arise? And if this is so, why does it only take one signature to obtain a mortgage, another title document/contract?

If CLPG's are only supposed to be a record of transfer, then such conditions would not be stipulated in CLPG's but would be found in the "contract" that must have been drawn up in order to validate the Crown's capacity to come back on the settler's land to take the white pine and minerals as per what is mentioned in the CLPG's.

Only in a contract should such conditions exist. The alternative is that, as the Ontario Landowners Association has found, it is the Crown Land Patent Grants that are the true, historical contracts regulating the use of property in Ontario.

*For more information on Crown Patents and property rights, visit <http://ruralrevolution.com>*

## Word on the Street 2012

**Operation: Politically Homeless**

**Sunday September 23, 11am-6pm**

The Ontario Libertarian Party has a booth reserved at Word on the Street (WOTS) in Toronto. This will be our fourth year at WOTS representing the Party. For more than 20 years, WOTS has attracted thousands of educated, affluent, professionally influential individuals from across Toronto and the GTA – mostly women (71%). Is it possible that among this group some may support the libertarian cause? That's what we are attempting to find out.

A small group of Libertarian volunteers will supervise the booth giving out our literature (like the Bulletin), and presenting the World's Smallest Political Quiz to selected candidates under Operation Politically Homeless. You can come out and help. There is no charge, and if you able, your support would be appreciated.

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Who knows, you might even pick up a good book, cheap! Our booth is located at St. Joseph's St. and Queen's Park Cres. Taking transit is a good idea. The Word On The Street Exhibits will be located on Queen's Park and Queen's Park Crescent and open to the public from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. During festival hours, the site will be closed to all vehicular traffic.