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Convention Planning by Coreen Corcoran

Due to the Federal Election, the Ontario Libertarian Party's convention was moved from September to Sunday, October 24th. We are offering in-person and proxy registrations for members planning to run for open positions and vote for candidates. A Delegate to the Convention must have been a Member of the Party for at least 90 days prior to the commencement of a Convention or General Meeting. A reinstated Member shall be deemed as having a continuous membership. To run for a position or vote you must be a current member as of **July 26, 2021**. Lapsed (reinstated) members can renew up until the start of the convention.

We struggled with how to hold an in-person event given current mask and vaccine requirements in restaurants. One of our members has offered his workspace so we thank him for his generosity. We're trying not to send up red flags to the powers that be. Who knows, we still might.

Current government restrictions for indoor gatherings limits attendance to 25 people. The location is 106 Hymus Road in Scarborough. We request that you do not attend if you are experiencing one or more of the COVID-19 symptoms the morning of the convention. Proxy forms are available and the fee is \$5 payable by eTransfer. Contact cfo@libertarian.on.ca for a form.

The convention is an opportunity to elect members to the Executive. With the June 2022 provincial election around the corner, there is a lot of work to do to approve a platform, fill a slate of candidates, and engage voters through social and other media. If you are considering putting your name forward, make sure you can commit the time to put in the work.

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Libertarian Pub Nights and Events

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, most of our meetups are still on hiatus with the exception of the virtual meetup hosted in Toronto. They will resume when restaurant owners are given the all-clear by the Ontario Government and measures are lifted. This is unfortunate for our party since our best chance for success is meeting people and sharing our ideas.

Toronto Pub Night - November 10th (2nd Wednesday of each month). We are currently using Zoom and anyone who wishes to join us should send Jim McIntosh (jjim@mcintosh.on.ca) their email in order to receive an invitation with the Meeting ID and Password. Next meeting is December 8th.

Ottawa Pub Meeting—November 7th at 2:00 pm, weather permitting (Usually 1st Sunday of each month, except holiday weekends) We'll be at O'Brien's Roadhouse on the covered patio, 730 Industrial Ave, Ottawa. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Jean-Serge Brisson (ep523@ncf.ca). Next meeting TBD.

Pub nights for Kitchener-Waterloo, Bradford, and Mississauga-GTA West are not offering virtual meetings.

When the restrictions end, if you would like to organize a Libertarian Pub Night in your area, please contact leader@libertarian.on.ca or phone 1-855-ONT-LIBerty or 416-283-7589 in the GTA.

For the latest information, visit <https://libertarian.on.ca/meetups>

Year End Contribution Reminder

As the year end approaches, it is time to finalize your contributions for the 2021 tax year. Why give your money to the state when you can use it to fund the Liberty movement instead!

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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.

OLP Leader Candidate — Mark Snow

My name is Mark Snow and I am running for the Leadership of the Ontario Libertarian Party in October 2021. For close to 30 years I voted out of brand loyalty without any cause or thought to the constant lies told by the main parties. It must end and we must be free to choose life and have prosperity.

Since March of 2020 we have seen the degradation and horrible actions of this “so called” conservative government under Doug Ford, who has acted in the most despicable manner to the citizens of Ontario. The application of medical tyranny and authoritarian rule needs to end today.

There has never been a better opportunity to push the Libertarian movement than now. Across Ontario people are upset, disenfranchised and angry and have no idea where to turn for help. There has never been a better time to reach out the people of Ontario with our message of freedom, both economic, and personal choice. There has never been a better time to remind the citizens of Ontario we are free and democratic people who have had their rights trampled across every step of the last 18 months. The destruction of our Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) is shameful and have jeopardized tens of thousands of small business owner across the province. SMEs are the lifeblood of economic progress and employ hundreds of thousands of people and need to be open. NO MORE will we allow the government through medical tyranny to dictate who can be open.

I have proposed the following platform mantra to be voted on by Caucus as the foundation for Campaign 2022. I believe deep my heart and soul, for the people of Ontario who are ready for change, the Ontario Libertarian Party will be the only Party to offer that Freedom and Change in 2022.

People Powered Government – The Platform (Pending Caucus approval)

“The empowerment of the people of Ontario to Control Outcomes through fundamental ownership of taxation funding and making choices, the time has come. This concept will accomplish one objective, that is, if we are to be taxed, then we the people can choose the outcome with self-directed funding of Public Services.

By having the people control funding choices, no longer will the bureaucrats or politicians be able to affect outcomes by offering the voters of Ontario solutions to fix a problem that government creates.

Ontarians have had 55 years of promises made to fix and improve the outcomes of government funded services. No government has succeeded in fixing the outcomes, but each government has successfully increased budgets and debt, and services have declined across the board for the people.

The problem is; government is trying to appease these people – the bureaucrats – when in fact the people can do better within our treasured Public Services. What does that mean, if the people were able to direct (electronically) each individual share of taxation to a treasured service, they would be assured 100% of funding was used locally.

This concept has reached its time – the centralized top down approach is not working, has not worked, delivered less service, and is fraught with government influences. It is time for the people to be in charge again “

I am hoping to inspire a full slate of candidates in 2022 to present to the people of Ontario a different form of Governance in which the people are empowered to control the government.

Please join me in this fight.

Mark Snow
Dad, husband, Veteran

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The Ontario Political Tax Credit for 2021 is as follows:

- ⇒ 75 per cent on the first \$427 of donations;
- ⇒ 50 per cent on the portion of your donation between \$427 and \$1,423 ; and
- ⇒ 33.33 per cent on the portion between \$1,423 and \$3,238

Please make cheques out to Ontario Libertarian Party and mail before December 31st to:

Ontario Libertarian Party
7-91 Rylander Blvd., Box 121
Scarborough, ON, M1B 5M

Thanks for your continued support!

Ontario Libertarian Party

OLP Leader Candidate—Larry Zalmers

As we digest the horror of the recent federal election results, it should be obvious by now that something needs to be done to stop the juggernaut of socialism that's leading us to outright communism, but you know they'll call it something else. The WEF (World Economic Forum) dream of having One World Government, One World Bank, and One World Currency, etc., is alive and progressing. After almost two centuries of social democracy, Canadians think that being virtual slaves is normal now.

Thus, I've decided to run as the Leader of the Ontario Libertarian Party. I never thought I would ever aspire to be a politician since I detest politics and politicians, especially career ones, since they all are bribing you with your own money, giving you "free" goodies and telling you what you want to hear in order to get elected and re-elected, rather than showing real leadership by sticking to their principles and telling the truth. After they get elected, politicians are only temporary caretakers for their term, so don't plan for the long-term, can pretty much do anything they like and thus tend to "milk the system" for their and their friends advantage. Their strategy is also to dumb down the public by making Canadians ever more dependent like children to be protected, told what to do, told what to think, and lately, even what to put in our own bodies. In my opinion, as libertarian politicians, our primary job is to do ourselves out of a job by getting rid of politics through decentralizing big central governments. Democracy was meant to be government by the consent of the governed. Instead, we now have big dystopian central governments and mob rule, whereby a majority of the population get to take away the rights of the minorities.

While I don't pretend to be the ideal Leader, unfortunately, I don't see anyone else in the Ontario Libertarian Party or other parties taking a strong enough stand against socialism because they are too timid to go against the status quo and probably hope to feed at the public trough someday themselves. What prompted me to run was a note that was sent to me, as follows:

"I fear that the Ontario Libertarian Party is dying, but I believe you, as Leader, could breathe new life into it. What I've seen of the platform discussions is the equivalent of hacking at the branches while we need to be striking at the roots. I am sure most of our members and many who are "politically homeless" understand that socialism is the root (and route) leading civilization down a dark path. Maybe more members

will be motivated to be candidates if we give them a platform that strikes at the roots."

So, I'm running to strike at the roots of the problem.

If you have followed my e-mail commentaries, you should know what I stand for by now, but to reiterate, we need to achieve total privatization of all current provincial government monopoly services by dismantling them intelligently and without harming people, plus abolishing all taxes, not just quibble about how much immoral confiscation of our income is okay. We need to starve the parasitic government beast of its sustenance, i.e. ever more mandatory taxation. It may or may not give us anything in return for this increased taxation, but if they do, it will be in inferior services like our current socialized healthcare and education systems because

MY GOALS

1. TOTAL PRIVATIZATION OF ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT MONOPOLY SERVICES
2. ABOLISH ALL TAXATION AT THE PROVINCIAL LEVEL
3. DECENTRALIZE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT POWER DOWN TO THE LOCAL LEVELS: TOWNS, MUNICIPALITIES, REGIONS, CITIES, ETC.
4. ALLOW A MUCH BIGGER ROLE FOR PRIVATE INSURANCE COMPANIES, INCLUDING PROVISION OF PRIVATE SECURITY AND

their income is guaranteed and no competition is allowed. We need to take the big central provincial government and decentralize it down the local, town, region, municipality, etc. levels. Even though Switzerland is no libertarian utopia, it works somewhat because its autonomous local 26 cantons, similar to our counties, are "small" government. They all have their own constitutions and use local citizen referendums on all important matters, such as taxation. There is no provincial government and the federal government is largely symbolic, although it does have a few national programs it administers like universal healthcare. Another model to follow is South Korea, with its hospitals

owned and operated by charities and private universities. Now that's something I would VOLUNTARILY give my money to and invest in! In addition, at one time, there were free cities all over Europe in the Middle Ages, so it's possible to change society again if we change public opinion.

I've been communicating with other international libertarian organizations to further develop our plans to dismantle all government monopoly services, pragmatically and thoughtfully. We know realistically that these goals won't be achieved overnight, but we will always contend that they should be, because they are ethically just and economically sound. I know the logic and truth of Austrian economics and libertarian ethics will win out in the end, if we believe strongly enough in the fundamental libertarian principles of the Non-Aggression Principle (NAP) and private property rights.

Thank You,
Larry Zalmers

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Brief descriptions of the open positions were posted in the Spring/Summer edition of The Bulletin.

- Leader
- Deputy Leader
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Recording Secretary
- Chairperson
- Vice-Chairperson
- Campaign Director
- Members at Large (2 positions)
- Ethics Committee (3 positions)

Other Business

In the afternoon we will address any constitutional amendments that come forward. We expect to spend some time discussing the Party's strategy for the election in June, as well as our direction after the election. With a new leader and platform we expect to make an impact. We look forward to hearing from our members to find out what is important to you.

Proposed Agenda

9:00 am

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30-10:00 am

Welcome and Reports of Officers

10:00-11:00 am

Leader's Debate

11:00-11:15 am

Break and lunch order

11:15-12:00 pm

Nominations and Elections for all positions on Executive

12:00-1:00 pm

Lunch

1:00-4:00 pm

Other Business

(Includes amendments to the Bylaws and Constitution, and Party Strategy for the next election and beyond)

4:00 pm

Adjournment

The Government Downloads Responsibility...Again

It should come as no surprise to anyone that the Ontario Government has downloaded the responsibility of checking vaccine status to business owners. It is just another example of a government decision where the government absolves itself of responsibility.

Think back to the Family Day holiday that Dalton McGuinty enacted purely as a vote-getting ploy. Who ends up paying for statutory holidays? Businesses of course. Sure some of that money comes out of taxpayer pockets to pay Ontario Government employees, but the biggest portion comes out of business revenues. They are on the hook for that government decision, not the government.

In his book *Tea Party of One*, Jean-Serge Brisson argues that the collecting and remitting of taxes to the

government amounts to slavery and is another uncompensated job that businesses have no choice but to obey. This includes HST, CPP, federal tax, provincial tax, and EI for each employee. The government does not compensate the business for doing this work so it is either an additional cost to pay someone to do it, or it is unpaid labour by someone in the company.

Back to vaccine status checks. There have been a number of cases where restaurant workers have experienced verbal abuse while trying to enforce this new request. In an industry that has been decimated since March 2020, it is unconscionable for the government to introduce a policy that sets them up to fail. But it's not at all surprising.

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