



# Free? State LIBERTARIAN

## March 2015

Newsletter of the LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF MARYLAND

### Convention Announcement Issue

## Join us at the Libertarian Party of Maryland 2015 Convention!

**When:** Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
**Where:** *Squire's Italian Restaurant*  
6723 Holabird Avenue  
Dundalk, MD 21222  
www.SquiresCafe.com

#### Schedule:

- 1:00 pm Registration/Lunch  
1:30 pm Robert Sarvis, Libertarian Candidate  
3:00 pm State Central Committee Meeting – including regular business plus the following:
- Nominations and Elections for the Executive Board  
All positions are open for election
  - Voting on motions to amend the State Party Program, if any (only motions presented and discussed in the Program Committee meeting on March 4<sup>th</sup> will be considered for an up/down vote)
  - Check your mailing label to verify that your MdLP dues are paid up and are therefore eligible to vote
  - Minutes of the previous Central Committee meeting (7/26/2014) are in the last newsletter and on the website
  - ▶ Central Committee members may delegate a proxy (Sign and date a statement designating another member of the Central Committee as agent, granting that agent the power to vote in the Central Committee. Either mail the proxy statement to the Secretary (Robert E. Glaser, PO Box 321, Owings Mills, MD 21117), or the agent should present the proxy to the Credentials Committee upon arrival.
- 5:00 pm Adjournment

#### Directions:

- From the north: take I-95 south or I-83 south to I-695 east to Essex/Key Bridge; exit at Merritt Blvd., go 2 miles, make right on Holabird Ave.; restaurant is 2 miles on the left
- From the south: take I-95 north to Baltimore; take I-895 Harbor Tunnel Thruway; go through the tunnel; take first exit past tunnel (Holabird Ave.); follow for 2 miles; go through intersection at Dundalk Ave.; restaurant is 1/4 mile on the right

**Questions or more information:** Bob Johnston, Chair\*LPmaryland.org

**Alcohol:** Cash bar (Budweiser & Miller Lite bottles; Coors Lite on tap; wine; name-brand liquors; top-shelf liquors and other bottled beer)

**Lunch menu:** Lasagna, Baked chicken, Green beans, Parsley potatoes, Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Soft drinks

**Cost:** \$35 by March 7 (click *Donate Now* at right side of webpage or mail check to Box 176 address); \$40 after or at the door. Please notify Bob if you expect to come so that he can provide the restaurant a head count, plus you will receive a pre-printed namebadge. The Central Committee *only* meeting has no charge.

*Check the website for convention updates*

# Chair's Report



Be sure to attend the annual Maryland Libertarian Party spring convention, being held at *Squire's Italian Restaurant* in Dundalk on Saturday, March 14. Our guest speaker will be the Libertarian Party of Virginia two-time statewide candidate Robert Sarvis.

Mr. Sarvis has several achievements as a Libertarian Party candidate:

- He raised over \$300,000 in his two campaigns, and attracted the attention of an independent political action committee, the Purple PAC, which spent another six figures on ads, particularly in the expensive Northern Virginia media market.
- He received unprecedented media attention for an LP candidate, including appearances on MSNBC and CNN, and interviews with the *Washington Post*, *Fox News*, and *Slate* and *Reason* magazines.
- He garnered over 200,000 votes in his two campaigns, and obtained the third-best percentage for an LP gubernatorial candidate in the history of the party.
- And he organized petition drives in his two races of at least 10,000 signatures each to get on the ballot. In Virginia, a statewide non-establishment candidate must submit 10,000 signatures, with 100 minimum from each of the 11 congressional districts. He also helped get seven LPVA U.S. House candidates on the ballot in 2014, each requiring 1,000 signatures to be collected.

If you are thinking about running for office, you will want to find out how Rob accomplished these things. If you are interested in organizing candidates or a local group, you can also learn from Rob.

Further, you can find out what Rob has learned from his two significant races, what he would do again if he ran for office, do differently, and what he sees down the road for the Libertarian Party and the libertarian movement in general.

*Squire's Italian Restaurant* is conveniently located just outside Baltimore, minutes away from I-95.

I look forward to seeing you at the convention!

— *Bob Johnston*



**Guest Speaker  
Robert Sarvis**

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**Libertarian Party of Maryland**

**Membership Form**

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Address: .....

City, State, Zip: .....

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**Total Payment:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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- I'd like to volunteer for:**
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  - Outreach programs
  - Computer work
  - County organization
  - Campaign help
  - Public Relations
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## COMING EVENTS

Stay up-to-date on MdLP activities with our online calendar-of-events: visit [LPmaryland.org/events/](http://LPmaryland.org/events/) (often!). Check page 3 for contact numbers not listed here.

Gallery Gang: Mondays while the Maryland General Assembly is in session January 14 through April 13, 2015 to lobby legislators before the session, attend, drinks afterward. Meet on the State House steps at *Lawyer's Mall* in Annapolis at 7:45 pm. Tim Sutton

March 4 (Wednesday): 7:30 pm. Program Committee meeting


March 14 (Saturday): 1:00-5:00 pm. MdLP annual convention

April 15 (Wednesday): Tax Day protests

**Maryland voters registered Libertarian:**

**15,169**

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