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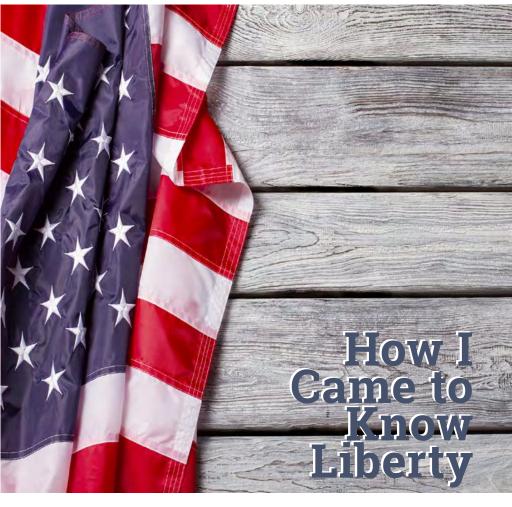
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To a young black woman who had just come roaring out of the closet, what could sound more amazing than the idea of a political philosophy of "Don't mess with me and my stuff?" The problem, that was all I believed it was, a political philosophy. "Political philosophy is the study of fundamental questions about the state, government, politics, liberty, justice and the enforcement of a legal code by authority." In 2007, I was out, loud and proud, lesbian and libertarian! These were drastic steps I had taken. How drastic you ask?

At the age of sixteen, during an evening church service, I had broken down after a particularly long and familiar sermon about how homosexual offenders would not inherit the kingdom of God. It was in the pew of a Southern Baptist church, that I will always hold dear to this day,

that I became a born again Christian and I would learn to suppress a part of myself that would cause a war that never should have been waged. During the 2000 Presidential Elections, as an unaware, but religiously trained Republican, and now legally able to vote as a natively born U.S. citizen, I proudly approached the ballot box and placed my vote for George W. Bush. It was the first, and not the last time, that I was ashamed of my choice.

The numbness to the world of politics started when my mother called me on the day of 9/11 to ask me if I had heard the news. I couldn't fathom the horror of the people who were in New York, the people in the towers. The Student Union had never felt so empty even though it was filled with so many people.

However, those things change very quick-

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Letter from the Editor

This election may prove to be the most important election of our time. This is not a time to be still or quiet if you are a Libertarian voter! This election is too important to stay on the sidelines. Wear your swag, put signs in your yard, wave a sign, attend an event, talk to neighbors and friends, share on social media – and share this newsletter far and wide!

Patsy Choat

How I Came to Know Liberty

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ly when one decides to become a single issue voter. I was twenty-four years old, out, a lesbian who had become tired of fighting who I was and I saw Obama and Proposition 8 as my fight! It was about me and I needed to win this battle! I registered as a Democrat, marched on up to that ballot box and cast the second vote of my life that I would regret for Barack Obama in 2008.

There is a certain emptiness to voting for a single issue and voting only for yourself, at least that was what I had come to by October of 2015. The Supreme Court had given me my "right" to marry, What was the purpose of it all? Why cast a vote for myself as if that is all that matters in a country filled with well over 300 million people? Now at the age of thirty-two and deciding to bypass Google and try iTunes, I searched the term "libertarian" and found several podcasts. I browsed a few and read the comments and ratings.

The theme and message I was hearing was something I had

never heard before. I was learning that I had been wrong about thinking of libertarianism as being only a political philosophy. There was much more to it. It wasn't about voting or a specific issue. It was about liberty. I was challenged to think outside of myself. To think about the world and how the decisions Americans make affects us all. This message was something that I did not know I had been craving. Jason had mentioned a Facebook group where libertarians discuss more than just the issues we see playing on CNN and MSNBC and FOX. I ventured into this group and it was as if I had found my home after 32 years.

All it took was a challenge; listen to the past week's 10 episodes, and my life changed. I had made so many decisions based on my feelings and emotions and felt lost in those choices and shifted with whatever wind tossed me around. 10 hours of my life and it is a choice that I will not ever regret.

By: Kim Schjang, Senate District 7 Candidate

LIBERTARIOS

El partido Libertarian nacio en 1971 para escuchar nuestra comunidad y atender con auténtico interés las propuestas de los ciudadanos para resolver en conjunto los problemas que afectan a toda la sociedad de Nevada, como la inseguridad y falta de oportunidades que someten a familias enteras a vivir en angustia y sobresalto constante por las falsas promesas de los partidos en el poder. Nos anima iniciar un movimiento real, con propuestas reales en acción, donde no se excluya a grupos minoritarios. (Por su condición ecónomica, etnica o estatus migratorio) En el partido Libertarian sabemos y entendemos que esos grupos son los más vulnerables a la crísis que afecta directamente a sus hijos, quienes no tienen posibilidades de aspirar a una educación superior de cálidad para enriquecernos como sociedad, educación que clama por el rescate de valores fundamentales a que tiene derecho todo ser humano. (Ciudadano)

Los libertarios creen en una vía más fácil a la ciudadanía. A lo largo de la historia de los Estados Unidos, hemos dado la bienvenida a los inmigrantes. Esta es una nación de inmigrantes, compuesto de una de las poblaciones más diversas en el mundo. La inmigración ha sido el tema recurrente en Nevada, y las leyes de inmigración fallidas han fomentado la hostilidad contra los inmigrantes. Los inmigrantes vienen a los EE.UU. en busca de mayor libertad y la oportunidad de experimentar el "sueño americano". Muchos estadounidenses tienen antepasados que emigraron a los EE.UU. a través de Ellis Island. Cuando llegaron, el proceso fue muy fácil llegar a ser un americano. Menos del 1% de los inmigrantes fueron rechazados.

Se puede y se debe abordar amenazas reales sin crear tantos obstáculos innecesarios para la ciudadanía. A lo largo de nuestra historia, los inmigrantes han sido buenos para la economía y la inmigración en realidad crea más empleos que los inmigrantes representan. Los inmigrantes tienen una tasa de participación laboral más alta que los estadounidenses natos. El uso más eficiente de los recursos para prevenir el terrorismo, el contrabando, u otro delito, es investigar el terrorismo, el contrabando, u otro delito. El seguimiento de los millones de personas

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I am the spouse of a Marine Corps veteran and proud to say that I am married to an American hero. I am also a supporter of Governor Gary Johnson for President of the United States in the November, 2016 election. One question I get frequently is, "considering your husband is a Marine, how could you be voting for a candidate who wants to cut military spending and believes in a non-interventionist foreign policy?!" My first response is always to tell them that being married to the military doesn't mean that I blindly support a policy of continuous warfare.

During my husband's 20-year career as a United States Marine, he deployed six times overseas. This was what he had signed up for, and we knew that long periods of separation would happen. Our entire family was proud of him and supported him because we knew that being a Marine is more than just a job, it is a way of life and service. However, during the last few years of active duty, the burden and cost of more than a decade of war became acutely felt. We were weary, and despite the fact that my husband has been retired for several months now, we are still weary.

Our brave service men and women are prepared and willing to defend this nation at any cost but, fifteen years of continuous warfare has blurred the lines between protecting our homeland from terrorism, and promoting an interventionist foreign policy. While the United States may have begun the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and elsewhere with the best of intentions, the endresult of our interventions seem to be negligible. The countries we have occupied are as impoverished and war-torn as ever and even though we have not had another 9/11, global terrorism has increased.

Gary Johnson believes that we should have a top-notch military and, if attacked, we should defend ourselves. He also believes that we need to stop the cycle of perpetual conflict--that we cannot and should not be intervening in conflicts that do not directly impact our national security. Not because we don't care about helping our fellow human but, because we simply can't afford to be the police force for the world.

Our service men and women and their families are weary. They have borne the costs of the last decade and a half of war. Are we

going to tell them, now, that they should expect to remain at war for another 5, 10, 20 years? Should we continue to deploy boots on the ground, sacrificing lives, and ballooning the national debt? With an already growing disabled veteran population, and serious problems in the VA, should we be involving our troops in conflicts that we don't have the will to win?

I don't have the answers to these questions, but I do know that I want someone in the White House who is going to be skeptical of the current status-queue and come up with answers. Someone who is 100% committed to providing active duty Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen and Veterans with the benefits they were promised. Someone who will fix the VA by allowing Veterans to receive health care outside of the VA system, and employing judicious use of our Armed Forces. Someone like Governor Gary Johnson.

Fifteen years of war is a lifetime. Pretty soon, young people will be enlisting who know nothing else. A couple years down the road, and we will have military members retiring after serving their entire career during a time of war. Our military, our service members, and our nation need a break. Not because they can't continue to do the job--but because we want them ready to be able to defend this nation if we are attacked again.

For me, the only candidate committed to giving our nation a rest from war is Governor Gary Johnson. Please vote with me.

Sincerely.

A humble and proud spouse of a veteran

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Compare and Contrast the 2016 Presidential Candidates

The issues	Libertarian Gov. Gary Johnson	Democrat Sec. Hillary Clinton	Republican Donald Trump
Honesty	Seen as a straight shooter	Distrusted by most Americans	Distrusted by most Americans
Balance Budget	NOW	Continue deficit spending	Continue deficit spending
Federal Spending	Reduce 20%	Raise spending	Raise spending
Government Debt	Stop growth & start to pay down	Increase by trillions	Increase by trillions
Marijuana	Legalize as wine & beer	Raid, prosecute, imprison	Raid, prosecute, imprison
Patriot Act & NDAA	Repeal	Continue mass surveillance	Continue mass surveillance
Trade Policy	Enable free trade	Crony-capitalist trade deals	Higher tariffs More trade barriers
Immigration	Grant visas for work or legitimate family ties No deportation	Waffles	Deport 11,000,000 immigrants
Same-Sex Marriage	Long-time supporter	Recent supporter	Waffles
Medical Insurance Mandates	Repeal Obamacare Enable free-market, competitive health care As governor, cut Medicaid spending	Enshrine Obamacare	Waffles on repeal Wants taxpayers to fund medical insurance for all
Self-defense	Pro-gun rights	Anti-gun	Previously supported longer waiting period, and ban on so-called assault weapons
ISIS	Acknowledges that ISIS is a result of U.S. military involvement in the Middle East	Continue to provoke ISIS with bombs, drone strikes, and sanctions	Continue to provoke ISIS with bombs, drone strikes, and sanctions
Middle East	Bring troops and all U.S. personnel home NOW	Endless intervention	More boots on ground. Kill families of suspected terrorists
Torture	Opposes	Now opposes. Previously made exceptions.	Favors water-boarding and other forms of torture
War in Afghanistan	Bring troops and all U.S. personnel home NOW	Stay the drift	Has a "secret plan for victory"
500,000 U.S. Troops Stationed Abroad	Bring home 250,000 troops	No clear plans to bring them home	No clear plans to bring them home
Military Spending	Reduce 20%	Increase spending	Increase spending & "get tough"
Campaign Donors	Individuals	Need NASCAR jacket to list her crony pals	\$500 million/month in free media

Courtesy of the Libertarian National Committee



Be On the Lookout: 2016 Libertarian Voters' Guide

The Libertarian Party of Nevada hosted its second "Speed Dating for Endorsements" and "Meet the Libertarian Leadership" events on the first weekend of October.

All non-Libertarian candidates were invited to meet with Party leadership and its Endorsement Committee. The purpose of these events is to learn about other candidates and see who is most aligned with the Libertarian Party views and political philosophy.

There are 2 event types; "Meet The Libertarian Leadership" for Judicial Candidates and "Endorsement Interviews" for all other offices. The results from the Speed Dating event(s) will be published in the 2016 Libertarian Voter Guide. The 2016 Libertarian Voter Guide will be disseminated through all available marketing channels to ensure Nevada voters are aware of our positions and bring additional awareness to each of the candidates who are most aligned with Libertarianism.

Non-Partisan candidates will receive either a positive (thumbs up) or negative (thumbs down) endorsement from us. Partisan Candidates will receive a grade of 1 to 5 stars 1

star being not very Libertarian and 5 stars being very strong in regards to their position on issues important to Libertarians.

In 2014, our Voter guide received over 40,000 downloads, was shared heavily on social media. Other organizations used the Libertarian Voter Guide as a resource for their candidate endorsements and recommendations

The 2016 Libertarian Voters Guide will be published and sent out before early voting. In addition, we have a huge event scheduled to celebrate the candidates endorsed by the Libertarian Party. Nevada voters are encouraged to use our 2016 Libertarian Voter Guide to assist in selecting the best candidates who promote Libertarian ideals and further support our issues.

Keep an eye on <u>LPNevada.org</u> or our Libertarian Party of Nevada Facebook page for information on our Voter Guide Launch Party in mid-October!



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Libertarios

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inocentes que cruzan la frontera por otras razones (y obligando a personas inocentes de cruzar clandestinamente el momento de la observación - en el que de otro modo puede buscar los verdaderos criminales) es un desperdicio y contraproducente.

• EL PARTIDO LIBERTARIAN RESPONDE A LO QUE LA COMUNIDAD EXIGE -

Solicitamos del entusiasmo y colaboración de la comunidad de NEVADA para trabajar en coordinación y diálogo permanente para garantizar nuestras demandas y que sean estas resueltas con éxito.

 EN EL PARTIDO LIBERTARIO QUEREMOS Y DESEAMOS SER PIONEROS EN CAMBIAR LA HISTORIA Y LA FORMA DE HACER POLÍTICA –

Unete y juntos demostrarémos al mundo la verdadera esencia de nuestra raza, saquemos el espíritu americano, demostrémos que tenemos agallas y coraje suficiente para ser ejemplo de ciudadanos del mundo, no solo de Nevada...... !!! Nuestra lucha apenas comienza, en poco tiempo demostrarémos que SI SE PUEDE vivir en prosperidad, armonía y paz. !!!

EL PARTIDO LIBERTARIO- El sueño de los hombres y mujeres despiertos.

GRACIAS,

Robert Juarez Libertarios Chairman



By: Brandan Covington Nevada for Johnson/Weld, Volunteer Coordinator

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DON'T RAID NEVADA

By: Mike Astafan Libertarian Party of Nevada At-large Representative

The issue is not stadiums, sports teams or their fans. The issue is finance. Many people, both sports fans and non-followers alike, don't understand the economics behind stadium construction projects. Most assume that the franchise teams, their private backers or the greater league itself such as the NFL, MLB, NBA or NHL pay the building cost. In most deals this is not the case as the local or state taxpayers float a large chunk of the bill.

This specific case deals with the NFL and the Raiders seeking a new home in Las Vegas. The vast majority of people have always wanted to see a professional sports team in the area. Well, they got one. But the story doesn't end there. Sports fans and uninterested types probably agree this is a great thing for the local economy. However, many don't realize the Las Vegas area is going to be on the hook for at least 750 million dollars - that's how much the Raiders want our community to fork over for their new home. A new stadium is generally sold as a great thing for the local community. Everything from more jobs to increased tourism and of course increased tax revenue is argued.

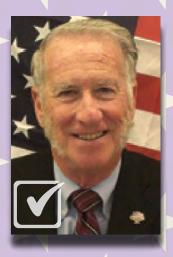
The history of taxpayer finance reveals a different story. This year the St. Louis Rams will be moving to Los Angeles, leaving the city with 100 million in debt. Currently, the debt is not scheduled to be paid until 2021 which they'll have to do without an NFL team present. There's also the story of Giants Stadium

debt – debt the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority will be paying off until 2025. Of the current 31 NFL stadiums 29 have received taxpayer funds for their most recent construction or renovations. Over the past twenty years public financing has paid over 7 billion toward professional football construction projects.

With an annual income of over 10 billion you would think the NFL could finance its ideas through themselves, their team franchises, private sponsors or have banks give them secured loans. With new stadium design looking to outdo the previous stadium it's rational to think future amounts wanted by the teams are probably going to increase. If the Raiders want to make Las Vegas their home then fine, no problem. But if they think Nevadans are obligated to pay for their new home, they should think again. We should tell the Raiders "You're welcome to stay, if you're willing to pay."



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