

2021 LPNC Convention Agenda

Our convention gets informally underway with a reception at the hotel on Friday evening, 7pm-11pm. There will be light refreshments available. Come hang out and catch up with old friends and introduce yourself to new friends.

Our business meeting and banquet are taking place at the Greensboro Shrine Club (5010 High Point Road). It's a short (10 minute) drive from the hotel. Registration will begin on site at 8:00 am. Business gets underway at 9:00 am. Currently we have 105 in person registrants, so please try to show up early so registration can move quickly and smoothly.

Our schedule is tentative:

SATURDAY

9:00 am - Call to order

9:05 am - Secretary' Report

9:10 am - Adoption of agenda

9:15 - Reading of Resolutions

9:20 am - State of the Party Address Joe Garcia

9:40 am - Bylaws Committee report (50 minutes)

10:30 am - Break

10:40 am - Dale Folwell, NC Treasurer

11:00 am - Bylaws report continues (60 minutes)

Noon to 1:30 pm - Lunch on your own

1:30 pm - Secretary's Report

1:35 pm - Scott Horton

2:05 pm - Bylaws Committee report (60 minutes)

3:05 pm - Break

3:15 pm - John Monds

3:45 pm - Angela McCardle

4:00 pm - Break

4:15 pm - Cara Schulz

5:30 - Recess for Dinner

6:30 pm - Begin to return for dinner (Cash bar will be open.)

7:00 pm - Dinner

7:30 pm - Joe Bishop Henchman

7:45 pm - Keynote by Spike Cohen

8:30 pm - Auction Extravaganza with auctioneer extraordinaire, Eric Santa Smith.

During our Saturday morning business session, for those interested in Affiliate development, you may join Brent Deridder, former NC State Chair, in the breakout room, to learn more about "selling liberty."

Saturday lunch is on your own. We will have a list of nearby eateries where you may drive to lunch or order food for delivery. There are a couple of places within walking distance.

For our Saturday evening dinner, we will enjoy a fine Southern style barbecue buffet with pork and chicken barbecue, slaw, sides, and hush puppies. Peach cobbler for dessert. Dinner will be at 7:00 pm, but we will have a cash bar on site starting at 6:30 pm. Come mingle.

After enjoying dinner, we will hear from LP National Chair Joe Bishop-Henchman, and our Keynote Speaker, Spike Cohen. Following Spike, we will once again be entertained while we try to raise money for the LP. Our auctioneer, Santa Eric Smith, has been with us at past conventions. The banter is hilarious, the bidding is “cut throat”, and it’s all for a good cause. (The LPNC Treasurer will appreciate you bringing a check or credit card for any donations over \$50. That’s the NC Board of Elections cash limit, but we don’t let that discourage your bidding.)

If you have an item you want to donate to the cause, [fill out the form here](#), and bring your auction item with you to Greensboro. We will include it in the fun. Past items have included political memorabilia, books of interest, art, precious metals, etc. For several years, folks were bidding on a box of “tea,” I think containing THC. It made the rounds for several years, until somebody bought it and decided to actually drink it.

Sunday morning we will reconvene at the Shrine Club.

SUNDAY

9:00 am - Call to order

9:05 am - Secretary’s Report

9:15 am - Resolutions

9:30 am - Election of officers (60 minutes)

10:30 am - Break

10:40 am - Election of Judicial Committee

11:00 am - Better Ballot NC

11:30 am - Other business

12:30 pm - Adjourn

In preparation for the meeting, we recommend you review the [LPNC Bylaws](#), [Convention Rules](#), and the [report of the Bylaws Committee](#). While we will not be considering Platform changes, you might also like to review the [current platform here](#). The documents will be available in your registration packets, but you might like to get a head start.

This really is shaping up to be an outstanding Convention. Come prepared for lively debate. Consider running for a position on the State Executive Committee. If you have questions about the positions, contact State Chair, Joe Garcia.

One last point. As you may or may not be aware, last year’s in person convention had to be changed to an entirely virtual affair because of Covid 19. When we begin planning for this year’s meeting, we were not sure the meeting cap would be lifted. Thankfully, we are beginning to get back to a bit of normalcy, but Covid is not completely behind us. If you are feeling unwell or think you may have been exposed to a person with Covid, please consider joining us virtually. We will not require mask. We will have them available, should you choose. We will have hand sanitizer. We will not ask your vaccination status. We know you will all exercise the appropriate caution.

Thanks for registering. Thanks for fighting for liberty. If you have any questions, please contact me. Looking forward to seeing you in Greensboro.