



LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ILLINOIS

LP ILLINOIS ANNOUNCES 2009 STATE CONVENTION

The Libertarian Party of Illinois ("LP Illinois") will hold its annual convention the weekend of October 23-25, 2009.

The convention will take place at the Doubletree Collinsville, 1000 Eastport Plaza Drive, Collinsville, IL 62234. The theme of this year's convention is: "Don't Tread On Me."

This year's keynote speaker will be Sharon Harris, President of the Advocates for Self Government, a libertarian educational organization best known for distribution of the World's Smallest Political Quiz, which has enabled countless people to discover liberty. Harris is an accomplished Libertarian candidate, receiving over 300,000 votes for Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture.

Also on the speaker's list is Ken Krawchuck, previous candidate for public office who is currently the State Chair of the Pennsylvania Libertarian Party..He has run for U.S. Congress and for Governor He founded the now 15-year-old Ken Krawchuk & Associates, Ltd, an information technology consulting firm. He also owns and operates "Amendment 16", an invoicing service for independent consultants.

"I am pleased with the lineup of speakers and activities for this year's convention," said Val Vetter, State Chair of LP Illinois. "This will be a great opportunity for those who value freedom, as well as for those who are just curious about libertarianism, to exchange thoughts and increase their knowledge of the party and the movement," he added. "I also look forward to the 2010 campaign and offering voters a true alternative to the major parties, who have not served the citizens of Illinois well," said Vetter.

In addition to Harris and Krawchuck, LP Illinois will be providing workshops on: Austrian Economics, Chapter Building, Raising an Informed Citizenry and Educated Electorate, Living the Principles of Freedom, and Promoting Market Solutions. There will be a Friday night Halloween themed social event and Libertarian Jeopardy on Saturday. There will also be a candidates forum including the following libertarian hopefuls for 2010: Mike Labno (U.S Senate). Ray Lear (Governor), Jason Dodson (Lt. Governor) and Julie Fox (Comptroller). LP Illinois' annual business meeting, where certain party officers are elected and state-wide candidates will be nominated, is slated for Sunday.

For further information on and to register for the convention, visit LPillinois.org. To reserve a room at the Doubletree Collinsville, call 800-551-5133. Be sure to mention that you are with the LP Illinois state convention. Reduced pricing for rooms ends on October 2nd.

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