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CONSTITUTION PARTY MONEY BOMB

MEMO

TO: Constitution Party Friends
FROM: National Finance Committee

After a dramatic election year – we fielded more than 150 candidates from local to federal office – your Constitution Party faces a financial crises. To balance the books and keep our party going, we must raise at least \$15,000 by December 31st. That will take an extraordinary effort. However ...

Some special patriots believe strongly in what we are doing and in the progress we are making. **They have pooled together \$9,000 toward our goal** and are challenging Constitution Party members to make sacrificial gifts to raise the balance.

So-called "Money Bombs" are almost commonplace among politicians and "conservative" fund raising machines. But no organization has a drive for the sole purpose of promoting and protecting the U.S. Constitution. Not until now that is.

The Constitution Party is launching a special "money bomb." We must raise \$15,000 by the end of the year – that is more of a challenge the party has ever faced, but we can pass this test, and the generous patriots who have pledged \$9,000 to help us make it to the finish line think so too. Now we have \$6,000 to go.

Make no mistake: this is an urgent appeal. We know you do not want to slow down efforts to secure ballot access. You certainly do not want us to stop reaching out to those who will join us on the front lines. We simply must be successful.

A gift of \$500 or \$200 or even \$50 will move us closer to the goal. And remember, we must reach the finish line by the end of the year.

We are counting on you – our party has no "fat cat" backers, no multi-national corporate sponsors, no super-PACs. What we do have are hardworking, loyal, and generous friends who outshine any other political party. Be proud of what we have accomplished together in this election. Now there's just one more campaign in 2014: the Constitution Party's Money Bomb.

Jim Clymer, Virgil Goode, Peter Gemma
National Finance Committee



Message from the Chairman

Dear Patriot:

My message can be brief this month — and for very good reason. As you have read, our National Finance

Committee has launched a precedent-breaking fund raising campaign.

The Constitution Party needs no less \$15,000 to break even this calendar year. It's been a long, hard, and successful election cycle, but we must start 2015 in the black. The "business" of offering a Constitution-based platform and candidates inspired by the Founding Fathers is complicated, demanding ... and expensive. That's why a few dedicated Constitution Party leaders have started a "money bomb."

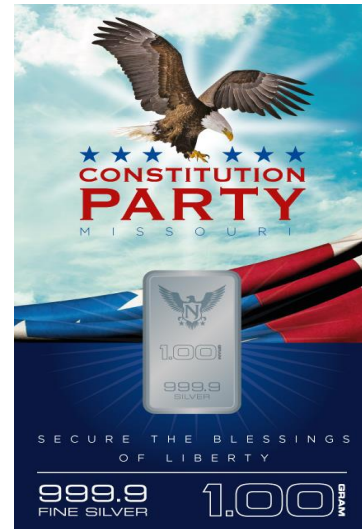
To reach our goal, we have \$9,000 in hand, but need \$6,000 more. I know we can do this. In fact, if the campaign goes over the top, we'll even get a head start on 2015: ballot access drives, improvements to outreach efforts, recruiting candidates, is the work that our party does in and out of election cycles.

Please be generous.

Frank Fluckiger

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The Howard Phillips Legacy Society

Our party has been blessed in the past year with a dramatic upswing of visits to our Facebook page, more readers of our party newsletter than ever before, and by a number of Constitutionals who are putting up their name as candidates.

That kind of growth doesn't happen by accident. It takes a decisive plan of action, grass roots activists willing to work hard, and generous patriots who commit financial resources to get the job done.

Among those who invest in the Constitution Party are a growing number of Howard Phillips Legacy Society members.

Named after the founder of our party, The Howard Phillips Legacy Society provides the regular income necessary to run the "business end" of our work. Members receive the exclusive VICTORY REPORT newsletter various gifts of appreciation for joining, including a one gram 999.9 pure silver ingot especially created for the Constitution Party (pictured above).

Learn more about Howard Phillips [here](#), and how you can join The Howard Phillips Legacy Society [here](#).

AFTER THE ELECTION: NOTHING'S GONNA CHANGE

By Robert W. Peck, Chairman, Constitution Party of Washington

The day after the election, when I started hearing the reports of a “Great Republican Victory” — not only in D.C., but across the land and even in my own state — my first reaction was, “nothing’s gonna change.” That night, I spoke with my friend, former Missouri State Representative turned podcaster, [Cynthia Davis](#). Her comment to me was (I paraphrase), “nothing’s gonna change.” The next day I read the [weekly column](#) of liberty movement leader and patriot pastor, my friend Chuck Baldwin, and his take on the election was, “nothing’s gonna change.” The 2004 Constitution Party Presidential candidate, Michael Peroutka, published his [weekly video commentary](#) in which he subtly prompts the astute observer to realize that, “nothing’s gonna change.”

Are these just sour grapes on my part? Are my friends and I all a bunch of negative Nellies? After all, aren’t we supposed to give a person (or party) a chance to prove themselves before we judge them?

Well, let’s see: we gave both houses of Congress to the elephant party for six years from 1994-2000, but nothing changed. We added an “R” President to the mix in 2000, and the GOP held total control of the federal government for six years thereafter, but nothing overtly conservative was ever implemented. After two years of complete rule by the donkeys, we gave the U.S. House back to the “Rs” in 2010, yet in the four years they’ve had it, I’m hard pressed to think of anything on the agenda of the liberal left that’s actually been undone, or even unfunded, as the House has the power to do. So that’s six years + six years + four years = three chances and 16 years for the “Rs,” and yet I can’t think of anything liberal that’s been repealed, or anything conservative that’s been established.

And now, after two decades of watching Republicans grow morally weaker, more compromised and more socialistic in nature, do we really think that putting them in power a fourth time is going to bring about any great change? Well, I say “no.” Not because I’m a pessimist, but because I’ve already seen this movie — three times. It’s like watching old re-runs of a really bad show and hoping that this time it will end differently.

The problem in America isn’t “them,” the other guy, the liberal left, or even the Republican establishment power brokers. The problem is us, the Christian-conservative-right. We’re the ones who let ourselves be duped into electing and reelecting the same people and party time and again, thinking that this time something will change. We’re the ones who perpetually let ourselves be cowed by fears that “the other guy might win,” so we go on supporting the “lessor of two evils,” then wonder why we end up with evil.

According to the Census Bureau, about 60 percent of voting age Americans (229 million in 2010) are registered to vote in so-called “mid-term” election years. In this election, 36.6 percent of those registered voters actually showed up at the polls. That 36 percent is normally split about 45/55 between any two candidates or ballot issues. That means that for every 100 people who are eligible to vote, 60 are registering to vote and 22 of those show up on election day with about 12 actually determining the fate of the 100.

Now consider that four out of every 10 Americans report having attended church in the last week. That means that for every 100 people of voting age, 40 were in church last week — almost double the total voter turnout. If even half of those attending church were to be instructed in a Biblical world view of social-moral-political issues, were to read and understand the U.S. Constitution and had a grasp of the fundamental principles of liberty, they could all vote in a block and determine every issue — from City Hall to Capitol Hill — by at least a two-to-one margin.

You see, the problem isn’t “them,” it’s “us.” We, the Church, the Christians, the conservatives, the right — we’re the ones who have grown weak, blind, apathetic, and are groping in the dark. Not only does the church not show up to vote, but when we do, we don’t even agree on political policy because we’ve grown forgetful of sound principles, and many who have known those principles have been convinced to compromise them away in order to “win” at the polls.

Neither the donkeys nor the elephants are going to save America and nothing is going to change until we change.



2014 GENERAL ELECTION REPORT



Alabama. The [Constitution Party of Alabama](#) ran four candidates in two counties. One candidate, Jimmy Hodges (Marshall County Coroner, earned 35.04 percent of the vote thereby securing permanent ballot access for his county. Alabama is a county-by-county ballot access state.

Alaska. The [Alaska Constitution Party](#) ran three candidates this year, attempting to secure a seat in the state legislature and secure permanent ballot access. Needing three percent of the vote for a statewide candidate for ballot access, state chairman J.R. Myers announced that they received 2.5 percent and will continue their ballot access campaign in 2016. The party gained name recognition and is growing.

Colorado. Maintaining its major party status and ballot access, the [American Constitution Party](#) (the Constitution Party affiliate) ran four candidates across the state, in spite of the passing away of long-time state chairman Doug Campbell.

Idaho. Christian Fioravanti, a young newcomer to the [Constitution Party of Idaho](#), ran a valiant battle against an entrenched incumbent and garnered 35% of the vote. Look for more from Christian and Idaho in the future.

Louisiana. The [Constitution Party of Louisiana](#) saw the re-election of Webster Parrish School Board member Ronnie L. Broughton and the run-off election between Constitution Party candidate for Eunice City Police Chief Randy Fontenot and one of his opponents. Outcome still pending.

Michigan. The [U.S. Taxpayer's Party](#) (the Constitution Party affiliate) ran 27 candidates this year for local, state, and federal positions. One candidate gained the highest number of votes in her state. Christine Schwartz earned 84,708 in her statewide race for University of Michigan Board of Regents.

Minnesota. All four [Constitution Party of Minnesota](#) candidates did well. One, Bruce Johnson (candidate for Dakota County Water District 1), placed second in a field of four candidates.

FUN FACTS

- ★ **Most Number of Votes: 88,742** - Rodney Farthing, candidate for State Auditor (Constitution Party of Missouri).
- ★ **Highest Percentage of Votes: 40.07%** - David J. Severns, candidate for Lincoln County Recorder/Auditor (Nevada Independent American Party).
- ★ **Most Candidates: 31** - Nevada Independent American Party (Constitution Party affiliate).

Missouri. The [Constitution Party of Missouri](#) fielded 15 candidates with Rod Farthing securing ballot access for 2016 by receiving 6.95 percent of the vote in his race for State Auditor, well over the minimum amount required by the state.

Nevada. The [Nevada Independent Party](#) (the Constitution Party affiliate) fielded the most candidates across their state at all levels of government. They ranged from two percent to David J. Severns' race for Lincoln County Auditor that earned him 40 percent of the vote.

New Mexico. The [Constitution Party of New Mexico's](#) candidate for Sheriff of McKinley County, Michael Lunnon, came in second by defeating his Republican opponent in a three-way race.

New York and North Carolina. Both states had write-in candidates but no results have yet been reported.

Ohio. Ohio voters showed their growing dissatisfaction with both the Republican Speaker of the House John Boehner and the Democratic Party, as [Constitution Party of Ohio](#) candidate Jim Condit Jr. took over 10,000 votes — 5.41 percent of the vote in opposition to Boehner's re-election bid.

More Election Reports...

South Dakota. The [Constitution Party of South Dakota](#) ran two statewide candidates — Lori Stacey for Secretary of State and Wayne Schmidt for Public Utilities Commissioner. Lori placed third, ahead of the Libertarian candidate.

Tennessee. State House District 67 candidate Mike Warner led the field of [Constitution Party of Tennessee](#) candidates with a strong showing taking over 30 percent in his race against the Democratic incumbent.

Utah. The [Constitution Party of Utah](#) fielded several statewide, state legislature, and local candidates. One local candidate, Paul J. McCollaum Jr., running for Millard County Commissioner, garnered 25 percent against his Republican incumbent opponent.

West Virginia. Phil Hudok, [Constitution Party of West Virginia's](#) U. S. Senate candidate, led the battle for alternative party access for debates, generating a lot of media attention and some success in opening up the debates. His smoking “Mr. Obama Head” campaign float tour across the state didn’t hurt.

Wisconsin. Both statewide candidates – Jerry Broitzman for Secretary of State and Andrew Zuelke for State Treasurer – exceeded the state required percentage of votes (one percent) to keep the [Constitution Party of Wisconsin](#) status of an officially recognized political party in their state. Good job!

Wyoming. [Wyoming Constitution Party](#) Secretary of State candidate Jennifer Young placed second to her Republican opponent while besting the Libertarian candidate. Joyce Collins, candidate for State Representative District 26, took 28 percent in a two-way race against a Republican incumbent.

CAMPAIGN REPORTS

★ Wyoming Constitution Party - Joyce Collins

VIDEO REPORT

Joyce shares her campaign experience and gives great tips for taking on an entrenched incumbent.

★ Alaska Constitution Party - Pam Goode

VIDEO REPORT

What it's like to campaign in a district that is larger than the State of Connecticut and how Alaskans are responding to the Constitution Party.

★ Alaska Constitution Party - Maria Rensel

VIDEO REPORT

Uniting the grassroots across the state of Alaska and gathering signatures for ballot access.

★ Constitution Party of Idaho - Christian Fioravanti

HOME FRONT PODCAST INTERVIEW

How a young unknown candidate went up against an entrenched left-wing Republican and made a difference.



We are grateful to over 150 Americans who committed their time, their resources, and their sacred honor to run for office under the Constitution Party banner. Their sacrifice and the sacrifice of their campaign teams and supporters are greatly appreciated, as are the donations you gave to get us on the ballot. All our efforts went a long way towards educating the public on the role of the Constitution and letting it be known that, yes, America, there is a real political party dedicated to re-establishing the American Constitutional Republic.

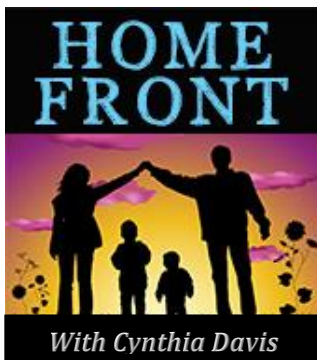
THANK YOU!

BALLOT ACCESS TALLY

According to [Ballot Access News](#), “*The Constitution Party is now on the ballot for president in 2016 in thirteen states. Four years ago it was on in twelve states.*”

Thirteen is an interesting number. There were thirteen stripes and thirteen stars on the first American flag. Thirteen colonies became the first thirteen states. The Great Seal of the United States itself contains thirteen stars, thirteen stripes, thirteen olives, thirteen olive leaves, thirteen arrows, thirteen levels in the unfinished pyramid on the back, even the motto “E Pluribus Unum” contains thirteen letters.

Thirteen is an auspicious start to ballot access for 2016. Keep in mind that some states do not allow ballot access drives to begin until 2016. Be prepared to gather signatures, make a one-time [donation](#) now, or join the [Howard Phillips Legacy Society](#) to build our ballot access war chest now. If not you, then who?



[HOME FRONT With Cynthia Davis](#) is a weekly podcast with interesting guests and timely topics. A few of Cynthia’s recent shows demonstrate the variety available to listeners:

[Property Rights](#)

[DNA Databases](#)

[Secrets of a Happy Marriage](#)

[Free and Fair Elections](#)

If you have an idea for a guest or know someone who would like to interview Cynthia, contact her at cynthia4missouri@gmail.com.

Speaking of Ballot Access...

Constitutionists across the nation are beginning to ask “Who will be the Constitution Party candidate in 2016?”

The Constitution Party chooses its candidates by convention in the spring of the year of a presidential election. Delegates are selected by their state parties and make the final decision, usually from among several candidates.

Darrell Castle, long-time Constitution Party leader and 2008 Vice-presidential candidate, and businessman Owen Shuler are the first to express interest in serving as the 2016 presidential candidate, although others are expected to emerge.

Ballot access and a well-organized state party is essential to any successful presidential run, no matter who the candidate may be. Contact your [state party leadership](#) to find out how you can help, or how to become a delegate to the presidential nominating convention.

PODCASTERS



[THE CASTLE REPORT](#) celebrated a major milestone on December 3rd, when Darrell Castle published his 500th podcast episode. Our congratulations! Here are some of his most popular podcasts and articles:

[How a Republic Became a Monarchy](#)

[Who Owns Nevada?](#)

[Impeachment](#)

He also recently wrote “[American Coup: The Constitution Party Response to President Obama’s Speech on Immigration](#)”.

If you know someone who would like to interview Darrell, he can be contacted at dlcastle@castlereport.us.