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Message from the State Chairman

Winners in Our Midst! Yet Our Task Is Just Beginning

At our State Executive Committee meetings in the spring of this past year, it was agreed that the Constitution Party would seek out and then support good candidates to run for office in this year's non partisan mayor and town and city council races. A lot of hard work went into that area and this November our efforts were rewarded with victory. Seven of our candidates made it to the November General Election ballot and three of them were elected to office!

Kenneth O Lutes was elected as mayor of the community of Elk Ridge in Utah County with 423 votes. Matt Kimmel was approached by the party members in Syracuse and agreed to run for city council. He came through the primary a strong third with 688 votes thereby winning a place on the November ballot for one of two four year term city council seats. His campaign manager Carrie Lisonbee and her team continued to work hard to get Matt known to the community. Matt himself knocked on over 1,200 doors. The wonderful end result of that effort was that on November 3rd, Matt garnered 2,031 votes to come in as the top voter getter. He out polled the incumbent by 146 votes

Another of our candidates, Tom Butler also won a hotly contested seat on the town council of Highland. Like, Kimmel, Tom came in a strong third for one of two city council positions that were open thereby placing him on the November ballot. He too worked a very hard campaign and placed a strong second in the final election receiving 1,661 votes and defeating his closet rival by over 500 votes.

There was yet another race, the Sandy City mayor race that also got a lot of attention for the party. David Perry, the party's vice chair agreed to run for city mayor in Sandy, Utah's third largest city. Leonard Olds served as his campaign manager. They did a bang up job with limited funds and ran against incumbent mayor Tom Dolan. Dave polled 3,715 votes or 42.44% of the vote. That was quite an accomplishment. Other CP candidates who ran but were not successful in the November General election were Warren Rogers who ran for city council in Taylorsville, Reed Mackley who ran for mayor in North Ogden, and Winston Palmer who ran for mayor in Castledale, Emery County.

These victories were sweet and important achievements for the party and have put Utah on the map. News of our success in Utah has spread across the nation among CP and other third party circles. **One might ask how this was all achieved. I think our approach was unique and well thought out. Our Party members met in each county and came up with the names of people who they thought were good, wise and honest people who ought to represent them in office. Then these people were approached and asked to represent the party in the non partisan races with the understanding that the group would do all they could to support them. These people did not seek to run for office, but were sought out by the voters and I think that was the key to our success. We tried to use the same approach that the Founding Fathers did in the early history of your nation and it worked.**

Applications for youth legislative interns for the 2010 Utah legislative session are now being accepted. The legislative session begins Jan 27 and ends Mar 12. Each intern should plan to attend 2 days per week or more, and must be at least 14 yrs old to college age. This is a great opportunity to learn how your state legislature works!

Application forms and additional information is available by contacting Dalane M. England at 801-298-5309 or contact Frank Fluckiger by email at fshtbjr@hotmail.com.

Our Next Goal: Fund Raising

Surely now is the time to make our message known to the people. They are hurting and looking for solutions and we have the answers, but we must have funds to get the message out to them. Our goals are:

1. promote party principles via radio ads, and
2. raise funds for the state wide candidates in the 2010 election.

Starting immediately, we are asking people to donate just \$5.00 each month, or as much as you can afford, to commit monthly to the 2010 election campaign fund.

In some areas we can run a sixty second radio ad for as little as seven dollars. At that rate 500 people donating just \$5 would be \$2,500 and would provide for 357 radio ads per month. In more populous areas costs are much more but they reach many more people.

Many of us can and should donate a little more, maybe \$10 or \$25, but don't be fooled into thinking \$5 can't make a difference. It definitely can. With everyone doing what they wisely can, we can make great strides getting our name out and teaching these great and true principles of government. The key word in that last sentence is **EVERYONE**.

Please, stop right now and ask yourself, "How much can I wisely afford, what frills could I do without?" If you have a spouse, go talk it over. Make a commitment today, and send it right away.

Along with the first donation you make, we need to know what your commitment is so that we know what we can expect on a monthly basis. It is essential for planning to know what we can expect in the proceeding months.

If by the time of our precinct caucus meetings in March, we could have an additional 500 people contributing \$5.00 per month or more, that would bring in an additional \$2,500 per month that could be used to promote our statewide candidates. We have never had this before. The key is to keep a steady flow of income into the party so that advertising and promotions can be planned in advance and executed on a timely basis. If you are in a position to donate more than that each month, then please do so. We ask that each person give serious consideration to this request. Our recent victories at the polls show that we can elect people to office, but it takes money, time, dedication and a lot of hard work to accomplish this.

Donations should be made payable to the Constitution Party and should be sent to The Constitution Party, P O Box 1215, Bountiful, UT 84010.

We ask that you please indicate that the funds are to be used for the campaign.

Constitution Party Voter Registration Continues to Grow

Since early June of 2009, voter registration in the Constitution Party of Utah has grown by another 5.13 percent. It now stands at 2,316. The highest percentage gain came in counties where the party is not yet organized such as Carbon, Piute, Kane and Wayne. At the same time, voter registration in the Republican Party in Utah has decreased by over 5,000 and in the Democratic Party by just over 2,000.

This is typical of a national trend. According to Ballot Access News, voter registration in the Republican Party has dropped by over 2,000,000 since the November 2008 Election and the trend continues. Voters tend to vote for candidates of another party long before they actually change registration. This seems to hold true in Utah as well since our candidate for State Auditor, Richard Proctor received 33,800 votes in the 2008 General Election, by far the highest number of votes ever received by a CP candidate in this state.

With just 2,000 registered party members, he received 33,800 votes. Just think of the impact we could have in our state if our voter registration was 33,000! If the same ratio held true we could get 557,700 votes. The winner in the State Auditor race did it with 527,381 votes.

It is time to start thinking big. This is what it will take. We will have to multiply our registrations just 14 times. In today's climate, we can do that.

If you changed your voter registration in order to support Ron Paul, now is the time to change it back. People watch these numbers and it is another good way to get publicity and recognition.

Memorize some of these statistics and share them as you talk with friends. A lot of people need the comfort of company before they have the courage to do something different. But the statistics show that a lot of people are ready to **do something different.**

Upcoming Events

- **Next State Executive Committee meeting to be held January 9th.**
- **Filing dates for candidates running for office is March 12th through March 19th.**
- **Precinct caucus meetings to be held on Tuesday, March 23rd.**
- **County conventions are to be held between March 27th and May 1st.**
- **Utah State Convention to be held on May 8, 2010, location to be announced.**



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Constitution Party ... Bring Government Back Home

The Constitution Party's (CP) National Committee meeting in Phoenix, Arizona this past October was adjudged a great success by its some 150 attendees. It was my first National Committee meeting and I found it both inspirational and disturbing. I found it inspirational because of the caliber of the attendees and speakers and their devotion to the Constitutional Party cause. I found it disturbing, realizing how far we have come down the statist road. Yet numerous speakers noted that the American people are beginning to awake from their long slumber. The Constitution Party has a wonderful opportunity if we will but get the word out to the people

The meeting commenced Thursday afternoon with the open Executive Committee meeting. On Friday we heard from James Clymer, the Constitution Party National Chairman, Mark Hubler, Chairman, CP of Arizona, Gary Odom, CP National Field Director, Paul Venable, Chairman, CP of Idaho, and Bill Sardi, Health Journalist and Author.

Other speakers included:

Frank Fluckiger, Field Coordinator Western Area States who stated that George Washington believed that God intervened on America's behalf some 67 times during the Revolution and Constitutional creation process. Frank gave us the story of one of those times. Very moving.

Mary Starrett, CP National Communications Director who spoke of her experiences when running for Governor of Oregon in 2008. We haven't heard the last from Mary.

Janine Hansen, CP of Nevada and Chairman Nevada Eagle Forum spoke of her run for Nevada State Senate and receiving some 34 percent of the vote!! Against a 22-year incumbent.

Donna Ivanovich, Chairman, CP of Missouri spoke of how the CP was resurrected in Missouri and now experiencing fantastic growth. It took one woman with perseverance to start it all!

Tim Baldwin, Attorney, Author, and co-council in a Montana lawsuit filed to challenge federal authority. This suit challenges the federal authority to regulate guns manufactured and sold within the state. Tim is passionate in his beliefs.

Chuck Baldwin, CP 2008 Presidential Candidate stated that our best opportunity to return to Constitutional principles is for the states to stand up to the federal government. The Founding Fathers did not consider the United States a 'nation' but rather a 'federation' of states with co-equal powers with the federal government.

Tom Tancredo, Congressman (R-CO 1999-2009) gave the after dinner speech. I could feel his frustration and disappointment regarding his years in the House of Representatives. He went in to Congress with the vision to change things in Washington and came out ten years later, a wiser but more cynical man. Tom said Washington was about power and keeping it. It was not about serving the people. He actually praised the election of Barack Obama since Obama's election compressed the socialist agenda time line and has helping to wake up Americans. Tom said we have already had a revolution in America and the Marxists have won. We are the insurgency. He said there are three types of Americans, 1. those who support the Constitution, 2. those who fight against the Constitution, and 3. those who can't spell Constitution. Tom spoke of several experiences while serving in the House. I came away from his speech with the realization that if you want to affect change in Washington (if it's possible), you cannot have anything that the power brokers in Washington can threaten to take away from you that would affect your actions/votes. Since power corrupts, the only way to beat them is not have any position of power which means more to you than your principles. It is so easy for Washington to corrupt our elected officials when it becomes about power and maintaining power. No doubt Tom is not perfect, which he admits, but I think the man is the real deal. Thank you Tom for serving in the House.

Gary Shumway, Summit County Chair