

## **Board Election Results**

Congratulations to Mark Warden and Paul Comeau, Jr., winners of the April Board of Directors election. Mark joins the board as Vice Chair, replacing Shuvom Ghose, and Paul joins as Secretary, replacing Steve Villee. Many thanks to Shuvom and Steve for their service this past year.

## **Liberty Dinner**

This year's Liberty Dinner will be held on Friday, July 10 at the McNeil Conference Center (adjoining KC's Rib Shack), 837 Second Street, Manchester. Space *is* limited, so reserve (and pay for!) your seats ASAP.

Festivities will begin at 6:00 pm and the keynote speaker will be Clifton Labree speaking on the life of General John Stark. We will also be awarding the Legislator of the Year, Activist of the Year, unveiling our annual Liberty Ratings, having our annual gun raffle, plus more.

Come early to our VIP Reception (5:00 – 6:00 pm) and chat with some of our liberty loving Reps, while enjoying some light snacks and the cash bar.

Prices are:

\$38 Dinner

\$25 Dinner for State Reps

\$10 VIP Reception

To purchase tickets, go to [http://www.nhliberty.org/liberty\\_dinner\\_2009](http://www.nhliberty.org/liberty_dinner_2009) or mail your check to New Hampshire Liberty Alliance, P.O. Box 4241, Manchester, N.H. 03108-4241. Be sure to note that it is for the Liberty Dinner.

## **Liberty Ratings Meeting**

As the 2009 legislative session comes to a close, it's time to find out how our legislators did in the pursuit of protecting and expanding liberty in New Hampshire. The board will be meeting at Murphy's Taproom in Manchester on Saturday, June 6 at 1:00 pm to start discussing which bills to include for evaluating our representatives' voting records and preparing the 2009 Liberty Ratings report card.

## **Gun Raffle Tickets On Sale NOW!**

Don't wait for the Liberty Dinner to get your raffle tickets. Buy them NOW before they sell out. This year's prize is a Ruger LCP .380 pistol with 3 boxes of ammo (2 boxes self defense type, 1 box plain for practice), and a pocket holster. Tickets are only \$20 each and you don't need to be present at the dinner to win. Contact [treasurer@nhliberty.org](mailto:treasurer@nhliberty.org) to make arrangements.

## **Read the bills? Now write one!**

As the bill review season comes to an end, there's no doubt that in the process you've encountered some section of our statutes that urgently cries out for change or deletion. Now is the time to start drafting legislation for next year. The NHLA will be evaluating proposed legislation on August 1 at 12:30 pm at Murphy's Taproom in Manchester. Bring your suggestions! The more details you can provide, the better.

Anyone can suggest a bill, and most legislators are willing to sponsor a bill for a constituent or a friend. However, if you are interested in actually getting a bill passed, more work on your part will improve the odds. The more carefully your bill is drafted, the more thoroughly you have checked other related statutes for conflicts, the better the bill topic aligns with the sponsor's interests, the greater the chance it will go forward. If

you need help getting started, or in identifying and contacting a sponsor, any member of the board will be glad to help.

### **Candidate Training Session**

It's not too early to start planning for the 2010 election. If you are interested in running for State Representative or know of a good liberty candidate you can help, start learning now what it will entail and figure out the most effective way to win.

Anyone running as a conservative Republican (or someone who can pass for one) will want to attend the candidates training seminar hosted by the Reagan Network on October 17 and 18. Contact them at [mattwenfran@verizon.net](mailto:mattwenfran@verizon.net) to get an application.

Anyone running as a Democrat or Independent will want to stay tuned to the NHLA calendar. As soon as we know of any seminars, we will post them.

### **NHLA Annual Meeting**

We will be holding our Annual Meeting on August 16 at 3:00 pm in Epsom. All members are welcome. Meet the board, bring your ideas on how you can help protect and advance liberty in N.H., and give us feedback on important issues of the day. Email [chair@nhliberty.org](mailto:chair@nhliberty.org) for location. When we're done with the "meeting," plan on staying for a potluck BBQ.

### **Membership Dues**

Starting in August, 2009, our membership program will be restructured. We will continue offering our Basic and Lifetime Membership levels, but we will be adding a new Full Membership level.

Basic Membership is **free** and entitles an individual to access the discussion forum, receive periodic electronic newsletters and bulletins, and sign up as a bill reviewer.

Full Membership is a **\$20 per 2-year term** fee and entitles an individual to access the discussion forum, receive periodic electronic newsletters and bulletins, sign up to be a bill reviewer, vote in NHLA elections, and serve on the board.

Lifetime Membership is a **\$100 one-time fee** and entitles an individual to access the discussion forum, receive periodic electronic newsletters and bulletins, sign up to be a bill reviewer, vote in NHLA elections, and serve on the board.