



Freedom Party

A Voice for Freedom... ...A Choice for Ontario!

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Dear Friends & Supporters,

By the time you receive this mailing, Ontario premier Ernie Eves may already have dropped the writ for the next provincial election, leaving fewer than twenty-eight days for us in which to conduct an election campaign. Or not.

Either way, time is short and I must repeat the opening statement in my letter of November 2002 to you: "Though the writ has not yet been dropped, make no mistake about it: Ontario's next election is already well under way."

At that time, we were just finishing the process of Freedom Party's re-constitution and re-structuring, and just beginning the process of formulating our campaign, introducing our new party leader to the media and public, and searching for candidates.

Much has happened since then and it's time once again to bring you up-to-date on our progress and activities. Thus it is again with great pleasure that I cordially invite you to meet party leader **Paul McKeever**, provincial campaign manager **Robert Vaughan**, and as many of our **candidates** that can possibly attend our *second* Election 2003 Dinner event to be held on:

Saturday, April 12, 2003

Doors open at 6:30 pm

(Buffet Dinner at approx 7:00 pm)

at the:

Seven Dwarfs Restaurant

1659 Wharncliffe Road S.,

LONDON, Ontario N6L 1J9

(easy access from Hwy401 – see map)

RESERVATIONS: \$50 per plate

(partially tax-creditable -your net cost as low as \$27.50)

Odds are that this may well be our last chance to get together for an event like this prior to election day. As your host for the evening, I assure you that you can expect to spend a delightful evening of fun, insight, excitement, and surprises. Meet the leader and the candidates. Discover our plans for the election. Find out why this will be the most significant single campaign ever undertaken by Freedom Party. Here's a preview...

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Freedom Party's Election 2003 campaign is already under way:

This year will be an election year in Ontario and this election will be Freedom Party's first serious effort to pursue the vote and to become a factor in Ontario elections. Following the dropping of the writ, our campaign will begin with the distribution of a minimum of a quarter million 'tab-sized' flyers in the major newspapers in Ontario. These inserts will be controversial and may well set the tone for the balance of the election. By promoting both Freedom Party and Fp leader Paul McKeever, these flyers will provide our candidates with a vital party and leadership identity that had never been part of our past election efforts.

Already, our nominated candidates have attended several candidate workshops around Ontario. These workshops have been warmly and enthusiastically received, and more are planned. From what I've seen so far, each one of Freedom Party's candidates is a cut above anything the other parties have to offer. To find out if there is a Freedom Party candidate running in your riding, check our web site at www.freedomparty.on.ca or call our office. If there is no Freedom Party candidate in your riding, perhaps you might be (or know!) the candidate we are looking for. Just give me a call and let's talk.

Another important document you will find on our web site is our 2003 election Policies page. (Members and supporters should already have received a printed copy of these policies in a past mailer. Copies will be available at our dinner event, and are also available upon request.) Our focus on the key issues that affect most Ontarians will not only distinguish us from the other parties, but will establish Freedom Party as a credible political alternative. On the riding level, signs and literature for our individual candidates are already in production.

Needless to say, **your financial support, even if you cannot make it to our April 12 dinner event, is critical to our efforts.**

Where Your Contribution Dollar Goes:

To give you some idea of what all this costs, consider that each candidate must minimally post a \$200 deposit with the Chief Election Officer. Each election sign costs approximately \$6. Literature and transportation costs can vary greatly, depending upon the riding. Printing the 250,000 tab-sized newspaper flyers to which I referred earlier will cost approximately \$5,000 and up. Distribution of these flyers costs between \$37 and \$45 per thousand. Warehouse storage and transportation costs are extra. And these are just the basics.

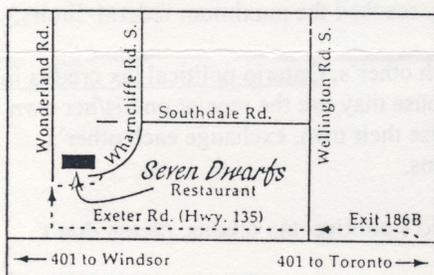
Do the math and you will have some idea of the financial challenge ahead of us. That's why your continued financial support, especially at this critical time, will have a dramatic effect on our ability to have an impact on this election.

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All of our candidates are contributing whatever funds they can afford towards their own election campaigns, but they can only do so much. The rest is up to us. Let's give Freedom Party leader Paul McKeever and all of our candidates the support they need to the job; I know that they'll earn every penny of it.

With the writ about to drop any time now; your attendance at our April 12 dinner event will be a demonstration of your support for our candidates who will be on the front lines of the election. The more prepared and confident our candidates are in advance, in every way possible, the better.

See you on April 12!



Sincerely,
FREEDOM PARTY OF ONTARIO


Robert Metz
President

P.S.: Remember, all contributions are tax-creditable! Contributions and reservations can be made by **CHEQUE, MONEY ORDER, VISA, MASTERCARD, or AMERICAN EXPRESS. A post-paid envelope and response form are enclosed for your convenience. Or, you can fax us at (519) 681-2857, e-mail us at: feedback@freedomparty.org, or Phone us, toll-free at 1-800-830-3301.**

Announcements, Invitations, Information

Those of you who have already financially supported Freedom Party in the past will be receiving the next issue of *Freedom Flyer*, Freedom Party's official newsletter, in your mailbox within days of (or concurrent to) this mailing. Already, pre-election news coverage of our activities and plans have made their way into many of Ontario's small and large newspapers and many of these have been reprinted there for your perusal. You'll see why we've been saying that the election is already well under way.

For those of you who are new to Freedom Party, particularly if you want to ensure that a common sense political alternative endures in Ontario, I invite you to discover for yourself the party that so many others have already discovered. Ontario's tax credits are incredibly generous for small and medium-sized contributors (see details following), so you certainly don't have to risk a lot of money to find out what you've been missing. All contributors will receive a copy of our current issue of *Freedom Flyer*, along with future updates, notices of events, etc.

Some things you should know about Ontario's Political Tax Credits:

Remember that your Ontario political tax credit is NOT simply a deduction from your INCOME, like a charitable donation. It is a deduction from the BOTTOM LINE of your Ontario income taxes paid or payable. It is among the most generous deductions allowed by governments anywhere. Because the first \$300 contributed to Freedom Party is tax-creditable at a rate of 75%, this literally means that an individual \$300 contributor will get a direct refund (or deduction from taxes payable) of \$225! Thus, for a net cost of \$75 to the contributor, Freedom Party receives \$300 purchasing power!

Ontario political tax credits do NOT affect FEDERAL political tax credits in any way. If you have already contributed to an officially-registered federal party, or plan to do so in the future, you will still be able to claim your full Ontario tax credit even if you've already reached the maximum federal limits.

Contributors and their spouses may use their own, or each other's, Ontario political tax credits in any way they please. If only one has an official receipt, either spouse may use the receipt on his/her own tax return. If both spouses have official receipts, they can either use their own, exchange each other's receipts, or use both of their receipts only on one of their tax returns.

By all means, if you have any questions regarding Ontario's political tax credits, please don't hesitate to call me. [rm]

The War In Iraq:

There's no question that unforeseen events surrounding the war overseas may affect the timing of the next Ontario election. Whether or not this becomes the case, that decision ultimately rests in the hands of Ernie Eves, and we must carry on with the expectation of a spring election. Let us all hope for a swift and positive resolution to the conflict.

Freedom Party Memberships:

Freedom Party's new membership drive, begun with the re-constitution of the party in September of 2002, is on-going. To join up and get your membership card, ask for a membership application or get one on-line at www.freedomparty.on.ca.

Bring a Friend to Freedom Party's April 12 Dinner Event:

As always, your friends and acquaintances are always welcome. Feel free to reserve a seat for a guest or guests for our April 12 event, or have us invite them by filling out the back of your response form with the appropriate information.

And...

Don't forget to VOTE for your FREEDOM PARTY CANDIDATE in the next Ontario election!

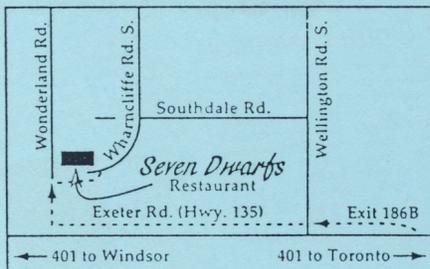


FREEDOM PARTY ELECTION 2003 DINNER

Leading in the Right Direction...



"There is no longer an alternative to Freedom Party for those who still believe in common sense. As Eves and McGuinty struggle to divide the left, we are no longer in the shadow of Mike Harris. This is an exciting time for all of us. We have before us a rare opportunity. But with that opportunity comes a duty - a duty to ensure that the clock is not turned back in Ontario. It is up to us to ensure that Ontario continues to look forward, to pave the way to freer markets and freer minds, to ensure that the future inherited by our children is a bright and prosperous one."



Meet the Leader!
Meet the Candidates!

Discover Fp's Planned Election Strategy!

Enjoy a great meal of your choosing!
Share in the company of like-minded friends and guests!

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Following is a list of Freedom Party candidates who are already registered or are in the process of being registered with Elections Ontario as of March 11:

RIDING	CANDIDATE
ALGOMA-MANITOULIN	Gordon Mood
DAVENPORT	Franz Cauchi
DON VALLEY EAST	Wayne Simmons
DURHAM	Cathy McKeever
ELGIN-MIDDLESEX-LONDON	Ray Monteith
HALIBURTON-VICTORIA-BROCK	Charles Olito
LAMBTON-KENT-MIDDLESEX	Wayne Forbes
LONDON-FANSHAWE	Mike Davidson
LONDON NORTH CENTRE	Lisa Turner
LONDON WEST	Bill Frampton
OSHAWA	Paul McKeever (leader)
OXFORD	Paul Blair
PARKDALE-HIGH PARK	Dick Field
PERTH-MIDDLESEX	Rob Smink
PRINCE EDWARD-HASTINGS	Trueman Tuck
SARNIA-LAMBTON	Andrew Falby
THORNHILL	Lindsay King
TORONTO CENTRE-ROSEDALE	Silvio Ursomarzo
VAUGHAN-KING-AURORA	John Genser
WILLOWDALE	Vaughan Byrnes

Note: As of this March 24 mailer, an additional 12-15 candidates are in the process of registering, with about 20 others in the initial stages of considering their candidacy.

Signs point to spring election

SPECIAL REPORT

BY JOHN MINER AND JONATHAN SHER
Free Press Reporters

Anyone looking for a sign a provincial election lies ahead need look no further than the streets of York and Colborne corner in downtown London. On a blue billboard, the colour of the Progressive Conservatives, Dianne Cuninghame smiles above a slogan used by Premier Ernie Eves — "Experience for the road ahead."



EVES: Finger on the trigger.

"Some are out at events, going door-to-door, some are out at events, and in Dianne's case, she's using a billboard," Wood said. Though the election might not come until the fall or even next year, it could be called as early as April 1, he said.

Olito to run for Freedom Party

ARIEL WHITE
THIS WEEK

Charles Olito knows he's the underdog but he says that won't stop him from...

This party deals with freedom

By Derek Baldwin
THE INTELLIGENCER

A new provincial political party is about to...

Far-right fringe aiming to influence Ontario vote

Queen's Park

MURRAY CAMPBELL



abandonment of its electricity-market shakeup, combined with status quo health and education policies, means "all of the things that made a vote for the Freedom Party seem wasted are quickly fading."

Giuseppe Gori's heart is leaping these days, too. The leader of the Family Coalition Party is hoping that his party can once again play the spoiler role. He, too, is critical of Mr. Eves, saying he is "going back to government by polls and government as usual."

Mr. Gori, a 52-year-old computer consultant, knows firsthand how a fringe party can influence elections. In 1990, the party picked up 2.7 per cent of the vote, but it was the deciding factor in 11 races in which its support was greater than the margin between the winning candidate and the runner-up.

...himself won 9.2 per cent North

Freedom Party to field local candidate

ANDREW FALBY IS CONCERNED ABOUT DECLINING PERSONAL FREEDOMS SINCE SEPT. 11

By KAREN ROBINET
The Observer

As the province heads toward another election, widely expected to take place next spring, the president and co-founder of the Freedom Party (FP) says his party is ready for what it's considering its "first serious election."

Since forming in 1984, Robert Metz says the party has expanded...

to be in place once the election is announced. "We will make the difference between the winners and losers," Metz said. "We know we can count on one to two per cent of the vote, and if we can get five per cent, we're doing great."

Establishing a new party isn't easy, said Metz, adding getting the message out is the biggest challenge now.

Eight party members, mostly in the rights of individual, and says including members of parties... has more than anybody else they happen to belong to a group, special otherwise.

"I should have the freedom of choice," he said. Only e are violations of im should govern- zolved, Metz says. he party has grown l significantly since days when, "we were doing great if newsletters out in a



LOCAL

Andrew Falby, standard bearer to Freedom Party in the next provincial election.

These days, the party's website garners two million hits a year, he says.

Metz adds party members have seen the influence of smaller parties, like the government even in minority position. "Smaller parties are often added policies are often added," he said.

Prefering not to be associated with either of the larger parties, Metz said the party is not looking for a merger with either.

Monteith carries Freedom hopes

First candidate for Ontario election

By TIMES-JOURNAL STAFF
Ray Monteith is off and running.



▲ MONTEITH

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Olito wants to end 'double tuition' concept for taxpayers

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the current MPP Chris Hodgson not seeking re-election is an open seat.

A greater emphasis on competition in electricity generation, education and healthcare is the focus of Mr. Olito's platform.

He says all three areas would get better results with more competition.

He would like to see more alternatives for electricity generation such as solar and wind power as well as incentives for homeowners to begin producing their own energy.

In terms of education, Mr. Olito says the Freedom party would cancel what he calls "double tuition" for taxpayers who send their children to private school but continue to pay public education tax.

There would also be a shift to a competitive healthcare system.

"In the beginning there would be a shock when people see the actual cost of healthcare," he says.

Mr. Olito says his campaign is still in the early stages and Mr. Olito says an early May election is a good likelihood. He hopes to get his campaign team together soon and begin campaigning in earnest.

He says although many people are unfamiliar with the new party, he has lived in the area for a few years and knows what the riding needs.

"You have to work hard to get across to people," he says. "I will probably put more emphasis on Charlie Olito."



Charles Olito Knows what the riding needs

Offers options Freedom Party wooing disenchanted with main parties

By Jennifer Bell
THE INTELLIGENCER

Paul McKeever wants people to know that Ontario's Freedom Party isn't "just the latest flavour of the month."

"Although many people may not have heard of us, we've been around since 1984, quietly building and organizing the structure of the party, and now we're ready to focus on getting our candidates elected."

As leader, McKeever — who spoke at the party's first constituency association workshop in Belleville Saturday — said the Freedom Party appeals to people looking for an "option" from the mainstream Tory and Liberal platforms during the next provincial election.

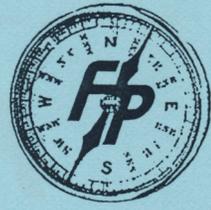
McKeever was joined by party president Robert Metz, his education critic Robert Vaughan and the party's Prince Edward-Hastings constituency association.

Each official addressed the approximately 25 members during the workshop, held at the

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Above is just a small sampling of the pre-election news coverage that Freedom Party has generated or been featured in. Be sure to get your copy of the latest *Freedom Flyer* for full-size reproductions of these and other articles, along with our own commentaries.

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Leading in the Right Direction...

OFFICIAL CONTRIBUTION & REGISTRATION FORM - Fp ELECTION DINNER

COUNT ME IN for your Saturday, APRIL 12, 2003 ELECTION DINNER IN LONDON.

I enclose \$ _____ for # _____ DINNER RESERVATIONS @ \$50 each (partially TAX-CREDITABLE!*).

SORRY, I won't be able to attend Freedom Party's APRIL 12 DINNER, but I'D LIKE TO HELP! I enclose my contribution of _____ \$1000 _____ \$500
_____ \$250 _____ \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$25 _____ OTHER: \$ _____

I am making payment by _____ CHEQUE _____ MONEY ORDER _____ VISA _____ MASTERCARD _____ AMERICAN EXPRESS

**ELECTION 2003 CAMPAIGN DINNER
SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2003**

CHEQUES or MONEY ORDERS should be made payable to: FREEDOM PARTY. *Dinner reservations are partially TAX-CREDITABLE for Ontario residents; contributions are fully tax-creditable. OFFICIAL RECEIPTS will be issued in time for annual tax returns, unless otherwise requested.

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I know other individuals who might be interested in Fp's APRIL 12, 2003 ELECTION DINNER. Please send them an invitation.

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