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Aug 30 · 30 tweets · [gaughen/status/1564733950559502348](https://twitter.com/gaughen/status/1564733950559502348)

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THREAD: 🧵 The bad publicity the LP is incurring has led many to question the recent Mises PAC takeover of the LP and the motivations behind it. In this thread, I will demonstrate that it was likely a sabotage operation by the Trump camp.

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I will also demonstrate that there was a direct line of communication between the Mises PAC and the Trump camp.

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The Mises Caucus was started on or around 2017. The Caucus' goal from day one was to take over the Libertarian Party and oust everyone it disagreed with.

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The image shows a screenshot of a Twitter thread with seven tweets. The tweets are as follows:

- amfrab @amfrab · Dec 11, 2019**  
Replying to @LibertarianJay  
Yes! Signed up w the intention of assisting the **Mises caucus to take over**. THAT never happened, but I did get to waste a day getting called for jury duty. Fuck that shit.
- Oliver Ashe @oashe10 · Nov 21, 2019**  
We need the **Mises Caucus to take over** the @LPNational let the real libertarians run the show
- Libertarian Party @LPNational · Nov 20, 2019**  
Our Platform:  
1.5 Abortion  
Recognizing that abortion is a sensitive issue and that people can hold good-faith views on all sides, we believe that government should be kept out of the matter, leaving the question to each person for their conscientious consideration.  
#DemDebate
- Zach Lachowsky @ZachLachowsky · Dec 22, 2019**  
Replying to @Anthony\_Dlugos @tmclane10 and 6 others  
The fact that we have people in the Libertarian Party asking who we should hire to make laws is exactly why the **Mises Caucus needs to take over** and clean house
- libertarian in Los Angeles @RobMartinez8 · Oct 11, 2019**  
Replying to @EmperorSean and @LPNational  
The **Mises Caucus needs to take over**. Serious people with a serious message. Not this clown show.
- Haywood Jablomy @cosbydid911 · Nov 15, 2019**  
Replying to @the\_jon\_a\_thon  
**Mises Caucus needs to take over**, @ComicDaveSmith has been making great pitches about how this can be done, we have good people like @JoshuaAtLarge and @ToddHagopian running to **take over** as chair. We have a great opportunity this year to turn the party around
- Andrew Fulton @FultyANA · Nov 13, 2019**  
Replying to @HotepJesus and @MAJTOURE  
The **Mises Caucus needs to take over**.

Previous Libertarian Party chairman Nicholas Sarwark has alleged that the Mises Caucus was formed in response to the infamous 2017 Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville, VA.

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**LIBERTARIAN DEFENSE FUND**  
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March 16, 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

As we approach the upcoming Libertarian National Convention, I'm writing you about where we came from, what challenges we face, and why your active involvement in our Party has become critically important.

I've been involved in our Libertarian Party for more than two decades. For all that time, we've agreed that we're here to run Libertarians for public office. Candidates spread libertarian ideas to the voting public. During my time as National Chair, we made great progress toward that objective. We had the top two Presidential vote results in the 50-year history of our party.

In 2020, after three consecutive terms as Party chairman, I chose not to seek re-election. I stepped down to help Libertarian candidates around the country. They had record vote totals. I ran for county prosecutor, achieving over 6% of the vote in a three-way race. Our party was on a steady course to continue our 2014-2020 growth trajectory.

But an unseen danger lurked. In 2017, the Unite the Right Rally in Charlottesville united populists, reactionaries, and racists in support of Confederate monuments. The entire libertarian spectrum condemned the Rally. Soon afterwards, the so-called Mises Caucus - a caucus Ludwig von Mises would have denounced - appeared. It urged us to welcome into our party "blood and soil" alt-right extremists. In 2018, the Mises Caucus made an aggressive attack on national party leadership. They failed, because Libertarians saw our success in fundraising, candidate recruitment, and party growth. Delegates at the 2018 and 2020 national conventions decisively rejected the Mises Caucus.

Yet, the Mises Caucus persisted, and grew in size. It publicly announced its intention to "take over" the Party and settle scores. They paid people to sign up as party members, just to vote at state conventions. They replaced dedicated party activists with puppets whose sole purpose was to obey the Mises leadership. At the 2021 New Hampshire state convention, people were paid to buy memberships. They changed state Party bylaws to let Mises take control of the New Hampshire Libertarian Party.

I've seen my share of disputes over party strategy. Party leadership typically goes to those who have the best records and are the most persuasive. However, we've always agreed: when the dust settles, we come together to support our candidates. The current situation is ominously different. The Mises Caucus is not arguing about party strategy. They want complete control of our Party for their alt-right masters. When the Mises Caucus gains control of a state affiliate, they adopt offensive social media messaging. They avoid running candidates for public office. They harass and abuse long-time party activists. They drive away party members who have the political experience and institutional knowledge that they lack. The results are sadly predictable: Party membership falls, elected Libertarians change party affiliation, and Libertarian political activity declines. (continues on back side)

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In 2021, the non-Mises leadership of our Pennsylvania Party got 176 Libertarians elected to partisan office, which was historic and unprecedented. The Mises Caucus immediately launched a year-long campaign of vicious invective against the Pennsylvania leadership. Just last month, the Mises Caucus took control of the Pennsylvania State Convention. They voted as a block. Our Pennsylvania Party will not have candidates for Governor or Lieutenant Governor this year, even though Joe Sloski and Nicole Shultz had been campaigning for sixteen months.

Can we cooperate with Mises? The former Pennsylvania State Chair writes: "I added them to committees and gave them a seat at the table. In general, they either used it to be abusive toward other members and sabotage progress, or contributed nothing at all."

In Kentucky, the new Mises leadership focused on social media, earning national news attention for their anti-Semitic tweets. Libertarians left the state party. At the 2022 state convention, they nominated only two state house candidates, and no federal candidates. Back in 2020, that same state party ran more than ten candidates, including Brad Barton's inspiring senate campaign.

Florida has regularly run many Libertarian candidates across the state. At one time, Florida led the nation in elected Libertarians. This year the Mises caucus drove major donor and Miami-Dade Commissioner candidate Martha Bueno out of the Party. The focus of their 2022 state convention was a debate on seceding from the United States.

Contrast the Mises approach with the Libertarian Party of Arkansas, a state affiliate that has not yet fallen into the clutches of the Mises Caucus. They're running a record 56 candidates up and down the ballot. The State convention was completely unified on running a slate of attractive, competent candidates for office.

[REDACTED], there are two paths in front of us.


One path embraces the libertarian values of respect, tolerance, and diversity. It brings people together to support candidates like Ricky Harrington in Arkansas and Ruth Page-Nelson in Alabama as they campaign to reduce taxes, end the war on drugs, and support individual rights. That path supports elected Libertarians like Jeff Hewitt in California and Marshall Burt in Wyoming. That path creates a growing, vibrant, and energized party for millions of Americans.

The other path imports Republicans to vote in Libertarian Party elections, nominates convicted Republican sex offenders for high office, and embraces the toxic MAGA culture where thugs and bullies punish their political opponents, even when it hurts the party. That path produces nothing but angry slogans and social media trolling.

One path supports our party's mission to elect Libertarians. The other path does not. The right thing to do is to keep up the momentum that our fellow Libertarians have worked so hard to achieve.

As state convention season continues, I encourage you: Attend your state party convention. Show up and participate. Before you vote, ask candidates for party office about their specific plans, experience, and track record. Make sure you vote for candidates who will do the hard work of running the Libertarian Party, not the easy job of bringing a bunch of warm bodies to a weekend convention. Please attend our National Convention in Nevada this May. Your voice and your vote will determine the future of our party.

Yours in liberty,  
Nicholas J. Sarwark



P.S. If you are able to give, please consider a donation to the Libertarian Defense Fund. The Libertarian Defense Fund's sole purpose is to defend the Libertarian Party from hostile takeovers.

Michael Heise organized his caucus into an official political action committee in 2019. He did this to raise money for his takeover, explicitly stating multiple times that he wanted to monetize, and take a paycheck from, Libertarian infighting.

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Verizon 12:50 PM 20%

Michael Heise ▸ Libertarian Party Mises Caucus (LPMC) Admin · 15 mins · [REDACTED]

I'm gonna be frank with you guys: One of my longer term goals is to make the LPMC/Mises PAC my full time gig. In fact, I even have a general outline for how I plan to do this, assuming the rest of the board would grant me the privilege.

Right now, we have a very small payroll, \$200/month that goes to our Email and social media guy. Next up will be \$200 to our content guy once we hit \$3000/month. I have taken no money from this, and have put in tremendous time, energy and money.

Now, when we hit \$5k/month, I plan to take \$500. That way, I can start to pay down my debt profile as we progress so that by the time we hit \$10k/month, or \$120k a year, I'll be in a position to leave my day job and orient my life around this thing. Thats what I really want to do. I'm not nearly as productive as I \*could\* be right now by the simple fact that I work a day job. It's so much easier for me to get up on a Saturday, get my chilling out of the way and by noon-ish get to work all day than it is for me to get home on a weekday and switch on to caucus mode. Even that is difficult cause a lot of times Emily works early, so she goes to bed early, and I try not to work in the time between getting home and her getting to bed so we have some time

Write a comment...

Verizon LTE 11:17 AM 42%

Michael Heise shared a post. Admin · 6 mins · [REDACTED]

Michael Heise 7 mins · [REDACTED]

I want to give a heartfelt thank you to everybody that hates me and hates the **Libertarian Party Mises Caucus (LPMC)**. Because of you, and I mean that literally, Mises PAC has just crossed our year end fundraising goal of \$3000/month coming in ahead of schedule. We needed a \$40/month push, I made a post about the silliness that was flung our way yesterday and boom, within 10 minutes we got over the hump.

You people make it so much easier for people to identify who is dishonest and who has the best interests of the party at heart. So thanks to you, we are now more able to support candidates and causes and more able to boost our content and message.

So truly, thank you. Please direct all of your hate at me and at us. I can take it, and it's only helping to galvanize our people.

And to our supporters, you guys rock! We ARE the Re(love)ution and nothing can stop an idea whose time has come! Thank you so much! You keep me

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Michael's Post
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**Adam Schneider**

Tom had an episode a while back about how he makes money off people who hate him. I can see that it works!

11h Like Reply 👍 2

**Michael Heise**

**Adam Schneider** It really does! Its crazy, you can point blank tell these people that that is what you are doing and that to continue is not in their best interests and they are so overwhelmed by hate that they just cant help themselves.

I've tried to tell them this to save everybody the nastiness of it but they just wont stop.

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**Joseph P. Soloski**

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**Libertarian Party Mises Caucus**

· June 3, 2019 · 🌐

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You know you are doing something right when you are triggering nutjobs like this.

Help us trigger them even more by becoming a recurring donor at [misespac.com](https://misespac.com). Soon we'll be launching our store as well as a monthly "Ask an Austrian" segment. [#TakeHumanAction!](#)

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One of the Mises Caucus's major donors from the very beginning was the CEO of [Overstock.com](https://www.overstock.com), Patrick Byrne. According to Heise himself, Byrne donated a considerable amount of money to the Mises Caucus.

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**Michael Heise**

Oct 18, 2017 · 🌐

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Pat Byrne of Overstock returned my email saying he will contribute \$5000 to the [Libertarian Party Mises Caucus \(LPMC\)](#)!

[#ItsHappening!](#)

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11 comments 3 shares



Byrne wasn't just a donor. He was someone to whom Heise went for strategy and advice. They know each other personally and apparently communicated on a regular basis. Heise apparently discussed his takeover plans with Byrne.

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**Libertarian Party Mises Caucus (LPMC)** · Michael Heise · Aug 4, 2018 · 📍

That moment when you text Pat Byrne's assistant at Overstock that you are very pleased with our meeting with Byrne and am committed to creating value inside the party for it to be attractive to him, and they tell you to email them your plans so they can attach some other people who presumably orbit Byrne and want to help 🤔

👍❤️👹 81 · 4 comments

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**tZERO · Follow** · Feb 13, 2018 · 🌐

Michael Heise w/ Patrick Byrne (picture was taken in September at the Nexus Conference in Aspen)  
[Overstock tZERO](#)

A photograph of two men standing outdoors. The man on the left is wearing a dark suit and is making a peace sign. The man on the right is wearing a blue t-shirt with a graphic and has his arm around the first man's shoulder. They are standing in front of a building with trees in the background.

Byrne is a hardcore Trump supporter. But he's not just any Trump supporter. He was also a major donor to Trump's post-election audit, he is in Trump's inner circle, and he advised Trump directly.



**Ex-Overstock CEO Patrick Byrne Donated \$2M for Arizona Election Audit**

A group set up by Byrne gave a total of \$3.2 million to a review of the presidential ballots in Maricopa County ordered by Republicans who control the state Senate.

<https://www.newsweek.com/former-overstock-ceo-patrick-byrne-donated-2m-conduct-...>

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Screenshot show Michael Heise, the MC chairman from Pennsylvania, claims to have received donations and solicited advice from Patrick Byrne, former CEO of Overstock.com.



□ Overstock.com CEO Patrick Byrne leaves his hotel in New York on June 21, 2017. Photo credit: WENN/Alamy

In fact, Byrne was seen in the oval office on December 18, 2020, advising Trump to use the National Guard to seize voting machines. He was a regular visitor to the White House.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/national-security/2022/07/13/trump-jan-6-byrne-overstock/>

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Byrne's Oval Office access appeared to agitate those staffers hoping to redirect Trump's attention away from conspiracy theories.

"First of all, the Overstock person — I didn't even know who this guy was," former White House counsel Pat Cipollone said in a videotaped interview aired Tuesday during the hearing.

"I looked at him, and I said, 'Who are you?'" Cipollone said he asked Byrne.

The Southern Poverty Law Center has alleged that Steve Bannon, Trump's chief strategist, met with prominent members of the Mises Caucus on more than one occasion during the Trump Administration.



**Mises Caucus: Could It Sway the Libertarian Party to the Hard Right?**

Members of the of the Libertarian Party (LP) are concerned about the Mises Caucus (MC) winning control of the party at the May 26 national convention, ushering in an era of collaboration between the ...

<https://www.splcenter.org/hatewatch/2022/05/25/mises-caucus-could-it-sway-libertaria...>

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In 2021 and 2022, Heise's Mises PAC took control of multiple state affiliates of the Libertarian Party. It was doing this by spending large sums of money of unknown origin.

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**Ryan Patrick**  
May 10, 2021 · 🌐

● Updated 6/28 \*Congrats MI for going Gold!  
Upcoming conventions:  
IL 10/8-10  
KEY:  
\*Gold is states that have mises-friendly excoms  
\*Black is excoms somewhere between  
\*Blue is excoms with bad prags, bad rads, etc  
\*White are states where I don't know the excom feeling on micaucs.  
\*Numbers represent delegate counts of previous LNC

💡 The point of this map is a couple purposes..  
-to give us an idea whether a state will allow micaucs or prevent micaucs from being delegates to Reno.  
-Also serves as a visual to encourage micaucs to step up in states that need help

State	Delegate Count
MA	21
RI	3
CT	12
NJ	20
DE	4
MD	19
DC	3

166      205 Comments

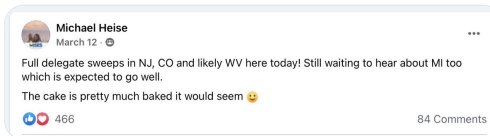
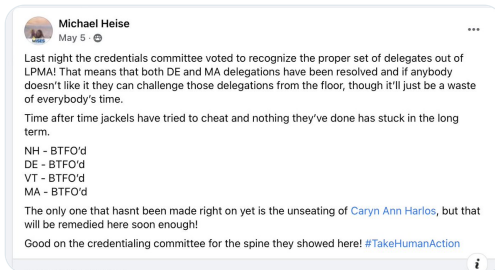
The Mises PAC's financial disclosure filings are notoriously unreliable. The Federal Elections Commission has publicly put the Mises PAC on notice on more than one occasion for late, incomplete, or inaccurate reports.

<https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?Coo0699785>

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As each state affiliate of the Libertarian Party fell under Mises PAC control, Mises loyalists were added to the roster of delegates to the 2022 National Convention. Mises steamrolled ~40 state conventions to take control of those states' National Delegate seats.

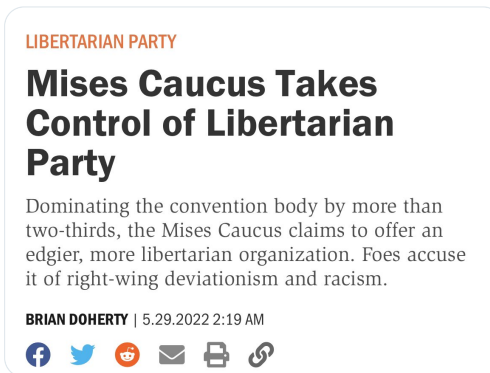
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By the time the National Convention gavelled in, approximately 70% of the delegates present were Mises. By displacing the organic delegate selection, they won total, complete control of control every single seat on the LNC.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=397022932464488&set=pb.100064703525354.-2207520000..&type=3>

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Someone paid for airfare and hotel rooms for all of those shill delegates. But this isn't reported anywhere. It's not on the Mises PAC's FEC filings. There are no independent expenditure reports. No one is saying where this money came from nor who donated it.


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 **John Patrykus** Curious, could the air bnb thing be viewed as sort of a bribe? I know that if I'm out petitioning for a candidate and I offer anything while doing so (stickers, buttons, lollipops, etc) it can be considered electioneering and I can get in serious trouble. Not sure if there could be any type of similar correlation here.  
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 **Luke Ensor**  **John Patrykus**, that was something **Michael Heise** asked about. The FEC cleared us to do it.  
They're actually way more permissive than we originally thought.  
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 **Michael Heise**  We can buy flights for delegates if we want.  
I'm finding out more and more that outside of the base prohibitions setup for the different accounts, PACs can do pretty much wtf they want. Its kind of crazy.  
Like · Reply · 1w  1

 **Michael Heise**  We can buy flights for delegates, for example  
Like · Reply · 1w

**Michael Heise**  Some people might not like this idea, but I'm willing to bet that if you go to your YAL chapters, and even your Turning Point chapters and tell them you need some help, and that if they just become LP members for one day (convention), that they will help you nail some leftists.

Today 7:26 PM

FYI mises just called me said they would pay for my hotel

Now that the Mises PAC has full control of the Libertarian Party, what is the new administration doing? Well, for starters, it's losing money. The most recent profit and loss report showed a net NEGATIVE \$32,394 for July.

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Standard Statement of Operations - 2022								
Budget vs. Actual								
	Un- restricted Jul-22	Temp. Restricted	Total Jul-22	Jan-Dec 2022	Budget Year to Date	Actual vs. Budget YTD	Annual Budget 2022 *	2022 Budget Remaining
<b>Support and Revenue</b>								
20-Membership Dues	42,142		42,142	371,662	392,058	(20,397)	672,100	300,438
21-Donations	11,559		11,559	189,073	192,733	(3,660)	330,400	141,327
22-Recurring Gifts	53,665		53,665	362,874	385,000	(22,126)	660,000	297,126
23-Board/ED Solicitation Major Gifts	1,500		1,500	3,750	55,417	(51,667)	95,000	91,250
24-Convention Revenue	0		0	374,795	340,000	34,795	340,000	(34,795)
25-Project Program Revenue	15,330	10,473	25,803	63,070	154,058	(90,988)	264,100	201,030
26-Brand Dev / Political Materials	921		921	11,462	17,500	(6,038)	30,000	18,538
27-Ballot Access & Related Donations	6,199		6,199	80,805	39,025	41,780	66,900	(13,905)
28-Membership Communication	105		105	11,083	7,117	3,967	12,200	1,117
29-Other Revenue	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>131,420</b>	<b>10,473</b>	<b>141,893</b>	<b>1,468,576</b>	<b>1,582,908</b>	<b>(114,333)</b>	<b>2,470,700</b>	<b>1,002,124</b>
<b>Cost of Support and Revenue</b>								
32-Fundraising Costs	27,730		27,730	143,395	141,422	1,973	242,438	99,043
33-Membership Fundraising Costs	5,724		5,724	40,106	53,433	(13,328)	91,600	51,494
35-Convention	0		0	240,044	316,800	(76,756)	316,800	76,756
36-Ballot Access Fundraising Exp	0		0	2,818	4,083	(1,265)	7,000	4,182
37-Building Fundraising Exp	0		0	230	0	230	0	(230)
<b>Total Cost of Support and Revenue</b>	<b>33,454</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33,454</b>	<b>426,593</b>	<b>515,739</b>	<b>(89,146)</b>	<b>657,838</b>	<b>231,245</b>
<b>Net Support Available for Programs</b>	<b>97,966</b>	<b>10,473</b>	<b>108,439</b>	<b>1,041,982</b>	<b>1,067,169</b>	<b>(25,187)</b>	<b>1,812,862</b>	<b>770,880</b>
<b>Program Expense</b>								
40-Administrative Costs	20,597	9,071	29,667	202,832	202,828	4	347,705	144,873
45-Compensation	44,297		44,297	350,873	465,033	(114,161)	797,200	446,327
50-Affiliate Support	9,953		9,953	40,494	42,163	(1,669)	72,280	31,786
55-Brand Dev / Political Materials	1,241		1,241	8,521	17,500	(8,979)	30,000	21,479
58-Campus Outreach	0		0	0	438	(438)	750	750
60-Candidate, Campaign & Initiatives	32,933		32,933	171,589	206,558	(34,970)	354,100	182,511
70-Ballot Access VR & Related Exp	15,000		15,000	128,443	116,375	12,068	199,500	71,057
75-Litigation	0	0	0	6,500	4,375	2,125	7,500	1,000
80-Media	1,040		1,040	7,857	7,292	566	12,500	4,643
85-Member Communication	0		0	16,236	18,375	(2,139)	31,500	15,264
88-Outreach	5,278		5,278	5,500	2,917	2,583	5,000	(500)
90-Project Program Other	21	0	21	1,889	1,867	22	3,200	1,311
<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b>130,361</b>	<b>9,071</b>	<b>139,431</b>	<b>940,734</b>	<b>1,085,720</b>	<b>(144,986)</b>	<b>1,861,235</b>	<b>920,500</b>
<b>Total Net Operating Surplus (or Deficit)</b>	<b>(32,394)</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>(30,992)</b>	<b>101,248</b>	<b>(18,551)</b>	<b>119,799</b>	<b>(48,373)</b>	<b>(149,621)</b>
<b>Unrestricted Net Operating Surplus (or Deficit)</b>			<b>(32,394)</b>	<b>136,696</b>			<b>1,512</b>	

\* As amended 02/22

It is also posting extremely inflammatory content via the National Party's social media and through its state affiliates' social media.

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**Tim Pool** @Timcast · 1h  
This is fucking awful

god damn

**Libertarian Party NH** @LPNH · 18h  
Happy Holidays



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**APStylebook** @APStylebook · 22h  
Our style: Don't use the pronoun "she" in reference to nations, ships, storms or voice assistants except in direct quotations. Use "it" instead.

3,959 1,607 1,797

**Libertarian Party** @LPNational  
Replying to @APStylebook

In fact, since we don't know what a woman is anymore, just don't use the pronoun "she" at all. Like ever.

1:16 AM · Aug 23, 2022 · Twitter for iPhone

**Libertarian Party** @LPNational · 14s  
You should sign up for a class in Native American history while you're there.

**Elizabeth Warren** @SenWa... · 3d  
Today I joined university leaders at @MIT for a tour of @MIT\_nano and a discussion on the CHIPS and Science Act. This critical legislation will help bring big, bold investments to help support jobs here in Massachusetts!



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**Minnesota Mises Caucus** @mnmises  
Bigot's rights are human rights.

10:44 AM · 3/20/22 · Twitter for iPhone

7 Retweets 11 Quote Tweets 52 Likes

**PariahDog** wants t... · 37m  
Replying to @mnmises  
are we winning yet



Month/Year	Active Donors
Mar/21	21000
Apr/21	20500
May/21	19500
Jun/21	18500
Jul/21	17500
Aug/21	16500
Sep/21	15500
Oct/21	14500
Nov/21	13500
Dec/21	12500
Jan/22	11500
Feb/22	10500


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**Death Corps Hussar** @Ma... · 9m  
I mean... somebody is winning.


This inflammatory content has generated a lot of bad press for the Libertarian Party. The Mises-backed LP leadership is actively destroying the image and reputation of the Libertarian Party in the minds of voters.

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**Sununu calls out 'horribly insulting' NH Libertarian Party tweets**  
CNN · 6h · on MSN




**NH Gov. Sununu Calls for the Abolition of the State's Libertarian Party Over ...**  
Mediaite on MSN.com · 2h




**Libertarian Party of NH Sends Truly Despicable Tweet on 4th Anniversary of John McCain's ...**  
ijr.com · 2d




**Meghan McCain rebukes NH Libertarian Party for cheering her father's death**  
Washington Examiner · 2d



**Meghan McCain slams NH Libertarian Party over celebrating dad's death**  
NEW YORK POST · 2d



**Libertarian Party of New Hampshire Slammed for Ghoulishly Mocking Meghan ...**  
Mediaite · 2d



Happy Holidays

Libertarian Party NH

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NH LIBERTARIAN PARTY POSTS CONTROVERSIAL TWEETS CELEBRATING MEGHAN MCCAIN CRYING AFTER FATHER'S DEATH, MOCKING HOLOCAUST

SON ARE ALREADY FLOODING, AND WATERS ARE EXPECTED TO COVER DOZ STATE OF THE UNION

LIVE CNN

The messaging has gotten so bad, that the New Mexico affiliate of the LP (one of the states Mises did NOT take over), has decided to disaffiliate itself from the national party.

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**Libertarian Party of New Mexico**  
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August 25, 2022  
To the Libertarian National Committee  
c / o Angela McArdle, Chair

This letter serves to inform you that the Libertarian Party of New Mexico (LPNM) has terminated our affiliation with the Libertarian National Committee, Inc. (LNC) and all of its subsidiary bodies, effective immediately.

LPNM continues to operate as a recognized major party in the state of New Mexico. LPNM will no longer be participating in any LNC programs or procedures, including the election of Libertarian National Committee members, sending delegates to the LNC's national convention, and participating in the nomination of the LNC's candidates for President and Vice President, including placing those candidates on the ballot in New Mexico as LPNM nominees under LPNM's ballot status.

To make the point perfectly clear: LPNM is no longer an affiliate of the LNC, just like we are not affiliated with the Republican, Democratic, Green, or any other party's national committee. LPNM and the LNC are no longer, in any sense, part of the same political party. All connections between us whatsoever are now totally and completely severed.

For now, LPNM is a New Mexico political party without any national party affiliation, in the long and vibrant American tradition of alternatives to the duopoly organized within a single state.

In severing our affiliation with you, LPNM is asserting our rights to freedom of speech, association, and assembly, as protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, the rulings of the Supreme Court regarding political parties, the laws and Constitution of New Mexico, and most importantly, the fundamental principles of freedom we defend as Libertarians.

We regret that it has come to this, but you have left us no choice. This outcome is entirely the result of the unprovoked, corrupt, and illegitimate attack on LPNM's autonomy undertaken by the LNC in recent weeks, and the broader pattern of intolerable misconduct emanating from the LNC. In particular:

You have violated, repeatedly and deliberately, the Bylaws of the national Libertarian Party, and refuse to acknowledge any limits on your claimed powers over us.

You have attempted, without any just cause or legitimate authority and in violation of an explicit provision of your own Bylaws, to abrogate the autonomy of our state party.

You have conspired, with a faction inimical to the principles of libertarianism, to impose upon us officers and governing documents foreign to our rules, unchosen by our members, and unacknowledged by the laws of our state.

You have adopted messaging and communications hostile to the principles for which the Libertarian Party was founded, serving no purpose other than to antagonize and embarrass.

You have conducted the business of the National Party in a manner that is unprofessional, incompetent, and unworthy of support.

You have threatened us with false accusations, and attempted to imperil our legal status and ballot access under the laws of New Mexico by repeating these false accusations to the state government, attempting to enlist the state's assistance in your corrupt scheme to violate our rights.

You have demonstrated a manifest hostility and unwillingness to serve all Libertarians, including openly making threats to withhold support from any Libertarian candidate who is critical of your faction, and disparaging other principled Libertarian candidates across the country.

You have denied, by word and deed, that LPNM is a voluntary organization which exists independent of its affiliation with the National Party, instead adopting the position that LPNM exists solely at your whim and subject to your complete control, regardless of the wishes of our members and the rules we have freely adopted to govern our own affairs.

You have conducted yourselves, both individually and collectively, in a manner wholly unfit to represent any organization with serious purposes and goals, and in so doing you demean and devalue the efforts and reputations of all Libertarians.

You have destroyed the system of free and fair internal elections for your own positions in the National Party, by refusing to seat national convention delegates from states hostile to your faction, thus calling into question the legitimacy of your own most recent convention, and have given every indication that you will repeat such offenses in the future, all for the purpose of illegitimately entrenching yourselves in perpetuity.

You have, by your malice and incompetence, made yourselves into such an unattractive employer that the accumulated talents of the Party are unwilling to serve in critical staff roles for the National Party, or for any state party which is affiliated with you.

You have rendered the National Party's Judicial Committee a useless and ineffectual check on your violations and offenses, by stuffing it with members whose sole criterion for being chosen was their unwavering loyalty to the same faction which you serve over and above any interests of the Party as a whole.

You have hindered the efforts of LPNM to grow and succeed, by announcing and acting upon your intent to drive many existing Libertarians out of the Party and to repel vast swathes of the American people from ever joining.

You have purported to suspend our bylaws, declaring yourselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever, and to decide what our bylaws should be, who may vote at our conventions, how our conventions may be conducted, what changes we may make to our bylaws and how, how and to whom parliamentary appeals and points of order may be made and decided, who are the elected leaders of our party, for how long a term they have been chosen, the timing of our next internal elections, and every other thing which is or may be provided for by LPNM's governing documents.

You have, in short, presented us with a binary choice. Either LPNM must cease to exist as an autonomous affiliate within the national Libertarian Party, or we may continue to exist as an autonomous and independent party which is not affiliated with you and your organization.

We choose to continue to exist.

In Liberty,  
For the Central Committee of the Libertarian Party of New Mexico  
*/s/ Chris Luchini*  
Chris Luchini

The question is: Why are they doing this? What's the strategy?

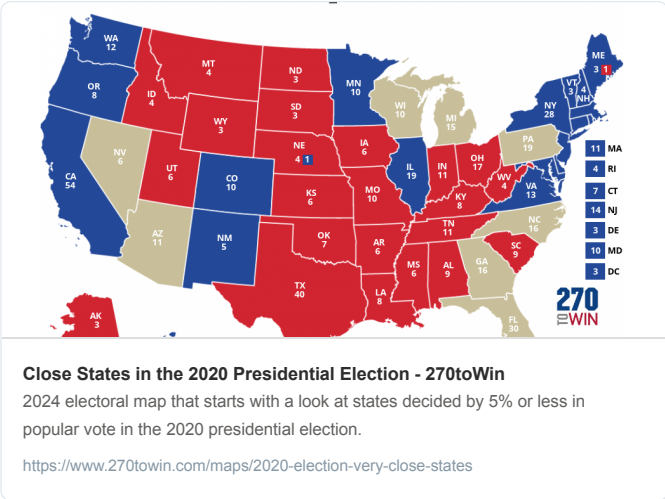
Honestly, I don't know.

But I have two theories.

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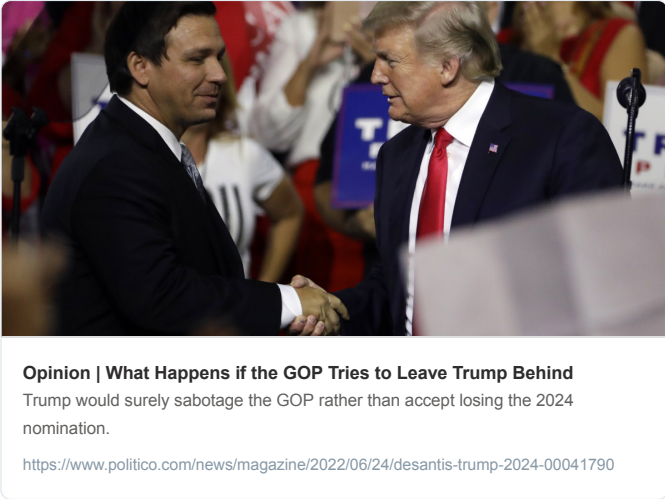


1st theory: the 2020 LP candidate, Jo Jorgensen, beat the margin between Trump and Biden in a number of swing states. If the saboteurs can cause the LP to implode, the 2024 Republican nominee might absorb the usual Libertarian votes and win.



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2nd theory: if Trump is denied the 2024 GOP nomination, he may run as a Libertarian. The Libertarian Party has (or HAD) 50-state ballot access and it would be the ONLY viable vehicle for Trump to run if he doesn't get the Republican nod.



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The major takeaways from this thread:

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A) LARGE amounts of money were spent on approximately 40 state takeovers and the national convention. Possibly a seven-figure sum. This is an abnormally large expenditure for third party politics. Where did this money come from?

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B) Mises PAC chairman Michael Heise is being (or has been) advised by Patrick Byrne, who also confers with Trump. High-level Mises Members allegedly met with Steve Bannon, Trump's chief strategist.

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C) The Mises PAC took complete, unilateral control of the Libertarian Party earlier this year, and Mises PAC is being advised by those in Trump's inner circle.

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I suspect there was nothing grassroots about the Mises PAC's takeover of the Libertarian Party. I believe it was planned and executed by people with a lot of money and power.

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The Libertarian Party has gone through periods of growth and implosion before. But the Mises takeover is something new. I believe the LP has become the zombie host of a very dangerous MAGA parasite.

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The Libertarian Party we knew and loved is dead. It is not coming back.

If you love freedom, I'd advise you to NOT donate any of your money or volunteer time to a compromised organization.

This is a call to boycott to Libertarian Party.

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[@B1Coyle](#) has compiled a pretty good list of worthy alternatives - places where you can safely donate time and money knowing that neither will be misused to discredit the liberty movement:



I wish you all the best. </thread>

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