CALL TO ACTION:
Welcome new readers, Associates, Merchants and RCOs! The times are a-changin'. While Dumb and Dumber go at it in national politics, We the People now have a real candidate. Please read why I will be voting for the first time in my life and consider Michael Badnarik for President. Also consider how we could end the IRS and Federal Reserve with this one single election. And if at all possible come to the Grand Opening of the new National Headquarters and RCO in Evansville. Check out the Calendar for my 6th Annual National Tour on the Home Page. I still have 110 days and 17,000 miles left. Hope to see you soon.

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1. I Have Gone Political!
Do you vote? Would you if you knew and trusted the candidate? Well I have never voted in my life. Not wanting to be a party to the current political cesspool, I was quite a smug with my attitude that I would not vote unless I "knew" the candidate and actually "trusted" him. And as I thought that was quite impossible, I was quite resolved that I would never vote! After all, how could it ever come about that these two requirements could ever be met? Well, the most unlikely event has happened and I am now registering to vote for the first time! And this event was so profound for me that I am asking you to also consider the impossible. I am asking you to help me elect Michael Badnarik - President of the United States!

I know this sounds crazy. I know all the arguments about throwing away my vote, etc, etc. But I also know and trust Michael Badnarik. He has met my criteria and I hope he will meet yours.

Recently I manned the booth at the Libertarian Party National Convention in Atlanta for the Liberty Dollar. Normally I would not "waste my time" doing such a thing. But this year was different. This year Michael Badnarik, my friend and fellow Liberty Associate, was a candidate for nomination to be the Party's Presidential Candidate. And as he had devoted the past year to campaigning for the opportunity to serve our great country, I had to show my support. Did he have a chance? H*ll no! He and his traveling companion Jon Airheart, another friend and fellow Associate, drove around in an old car, sending out urgent requests for $5 or maybe even $10 to get to the next event. Did they have any money? No. Like most of our Founding Fathers they had little more than a dream and the determination to do their best. In addition to the meager funds raised, Michael taught his "Constitution Class". But as the strict Constitutionalist that he is, he only accepted "real" money. That's right! He only accepted Liberty Dollars. And no, students could not just trade their d*mn FRNs for Liberty Dollars with Michael and then pay. No they had to get their Liberty Dollars on their own, often many students' first
Over the year, Michael made a good showing. He polished his presentation. Won the praise of everyone. Even the two other candidates, Aaron Russo and Gary Nolan acknowledged Michael's firm dedication to the principles that the President required to uphold. Relentless, in face of the other candidate's big names, bigger campaign budgets, and even managers, Michael crusaded towards the election at Atlanta.

When I arrived in Atlanta, it was no secret that everybody loved Michael and respected his spirit. Nor was it any secret that he did not have a prayer in hell of winning the nomination. After all, who is Michael Badnarik?! He arrived in an old car. Did not even book a room for his campaign, and if the truth was known, he probably didn't even have the money. But there was no stopping this guy. For him, like George Washington, there was no alternative to winning in spite of its unlikeliness.

The night before the Presidential Candidate election, there was a debate scheduled. It seemed of no major importance. All three candidates had their respective replies fine-tuned and nobody expected much. One would think it was to be just another debate, like so many over the past year of campaigning. No, that was not the case. Face to face with Aaron Russo and Gary Nolan, Michael stole the show. He was strong, witty, direct in his replies, and relied if not quote the Constitution to half the questions. Michael stole the hearts of everyone, except for the most hardcore Russo and Nolan supporters. People came up to me and exclaimed how good Michael was and that they were now going to vote for Michael! My God, my friend might get elected?!

The next day was the election. Many of the state delegates had promised to vote Russo or Nolan on the first vote. Well as it turned out the first vote was nothing more than removing miscellaneous nominees from the ballot. The second ballot was between the three serious candidates. Russo, with the big name, lots of honors and money, was the assumed winner. Many felt there was no need to vote! I don't recall the figures, but Nolan was eliminated and Michael made it to the finals! Amazing!

Almost immediately, someone rose to the microphone and moved to set aside the convention rules (which was common throughout the day) and allow Gary Nolan to speak for five minutes as he was a serious candidate that had spent so much time and money. The motion was quickly seconded and passed unanimously. Nolan came to the podium and quickly thanked his supporters. And equally quickly told all the state delegates that if they voted for him - vote for Badnarik! The Badnarik crowd went wild! All this time I was expecting some kind of upset. Some secret candidate to win. I had never considered that my friend might actually win!

Luckily, while the state delegates where counting their votes between Russo and Badnarik, I saw Michael on the floor just as he was saying goodbye to someone. He was alone. Just standing there. I grabbed his arm briskly and gave him a really big hug as he turned around. I literally whispered in his ear, "Michael, you better get ready… you are really going to be running for President of the United States." It was foxhole mentality. The air was electric. Volleys of "We like Mike." And "Russo, Russo," flew overhead. We parted with tears in our eyes. Within five minutes the votes were in and Michael, against all odds, became the Seabiscuit of this Presidential election for the Libertarian Party.

We the People, now have a real candidate. Now we need to elect him! I don't care if you have never voted. Nor have I! I care about our country and its god-awful money and the price we will be paying after the election if either Bush or Kerry is elected. Yes I know that Bush has raised $210 MILLION … there are not that many voters!!! And Kerry has raised $170 MILLION! And that is more than voters too! But it is like Michael says, when you vote for the lesser of two evils, YOU STILL GET EVIL.

Lets put the force of the Internet behind Michael. If you have an email list, if you are techno savvy then give Michael some publicity. Note the secret weapon article below. Lets make his candidacy the buzz
on the Internet. It costs nothing but a bit of your time! Don't let Dumb and Dumber debate without Michael! He will steal the show, just like he did in Atlanta and Kennedy did in 1960 against Nixon. Michael, aka "Seabiscuit", can win this election as a dark horse… IF the people elect him. Tired of the same old government? Just this once, get out of the box when you get in the voting booth and VOTE BADNARIK!

2. If I was the Secretary of the Treasury
A few months ago, Michael Badnarik called me and told me that he had been asked who he would tap to be on his Cabinet. I thought he was looking for suggestions. No, that was not the case. So why was Michael calling me? He wanted me to serve on his Cabinet! Well of course I was interested but before I could agree, I asked Michael what position could I possibly be qualified for? To my amazement, he asked me to be his Secretary of the Treasury! So after quickly reflecting that both the money creation and the IRS "fall" under the Secretary of the Treasury, I quickly accepted.

And as Michael has published what he would do on his 'first day in office' I can tell you that with the President's agreement, on the morning of my first day in office I will instruct the IRS to immediately enforce 'Section 861' vigorously and end withholding, lunch with my staff, and then instruct the US Mint to change the denomination of the Silver Eagle from $1 to $20 and move our money back to 100% value backed currency. And if the US Mint could not respond positively within 30 days I would let this to bid to the private sector because I know of at least one organization that is well versed on such matters.

So for those of you who thought such change could not be made, let alone so quick, please vote for Badnarik because such changes will come very quickly. Remember, within only two years after the phrase "emit bills of credit" was removed from the US Constitution, the open lawlessness ended, our great country was back to work, and it rose to the pentacle of nations on earth. I only hope the prospect of me being the Secretary of the Treasury will not deter you from voting for Badnarik for President!

3. Secret Weapon to Elect a New President
Besides the obvious of voting for Michael Badnarik for President, there are two things that you could do to catapult Michael into office. Please believe me that as the Libertarian Party is in every state, and Michael is being added to every ballot, this idea of an upset victory is not just wishful thinking…it is actually a possibility!

The first thing that could catapult Michael into office is for him to be included in any debate between Dumb and Dumber. Remember it was the debate that catapulted Michael to victory in Atlanta and Kennedy in the 1960 election. So please do whatever you can to bring this about.

The Internet is a real secret weapon of this election. From the government's own statistics we know 70% of the 100+ million voters - an incredible 70 million voters - are FED UP with both parties and their CFR controlled candidates. This election may not be won by money. This election can be won by convincing these dissatisfied voters that Michael offers a REAL choice from government, war, and taxes as usual.

The key way to do this is the same way that has catapulted the Liberty Dollar, going directly to the People via the Internet. I have formed a new group... the "I-Group" of independent minded techies who will strive to contact these 70 million people and convince at least half of them that We the People can elect our own candidate. 35 million people is enough to split this race, put Michael Badnarik in the Whitehouse, and return this great country to a Constitutional Republic overnight.

For us to WIN, we need a tight, passionate article that offers a realistic scenario for a winnable election. In particular, I am looking for that special person who can explain how political parties have come into
existence, how the Libertarian Party is now poised to become the second major political party, and how Michael Badnarik could be elected. Of course this very brief article must lead the reader to realize this election is his only chance to vote for a real candidate from a real political party... and WIN!

If you can write a short... a really short ... punchy article ... that makes a compelling and persuasive argument that will convince millions of dissatisfied Americans that they can actually elect a true underdog, keep the 30% withholdings in their pocket, and keep their jobs here at home ... that they can elect a true friend of the people - Michael Badnarik… please send an email to me. If you want to join the I-Group, email me with "I-Group" in the subject field. Lets get the Internet fired up! And WIN. We got just enough time.

4. Get Involved with the Grand Opening
Do you or your organization have goods, services, books, or anything that would be of interest to fellow supporters of the Liberty Dollar? As if the presidential election is not enough, we invite you to make a presentation at the Grand Opening of our new National Headquarters and RCO in Evansville, Indiana. If time does not permit all the speakers we will provide an open microphone with a prorated limited time for everyone to speak. So get in your request ASAP, we already have some very interesting people coming and we hope you will join us in celebrating the 6th Anniversary of the Liberty Dollar.

Please note the time and date for the Grand Opening remains the same: 9:00 to 9:00 on Saturday, October 2, 2004 at 225 N. Stockwell Road. Evansville. IN. 47715. Phone number and all other info remains the same.

Be sure to come early. If you arrive the night before, which is the best plan of action, please join us for the RCO banquet, which is open to the public, and hear our special keynote speaker to be announced shortly. Be on hand for the Gallery Mint's minting demonstration and walk away with a special "coin" from the event! Live music will wrap up the event and kick off another great year as we return our country to value - one Liberty Dollar at a time!

If you plan to attend or want to present, PLEASE CONFIRM via email, now. As the event is only 90 days out, we need to hear from you ASAP so we can plan adequately, please.

5. NEW Date for Liberty University
If you are serious about using the Liberty Dollar and want to make using it, LibU4 is for you. So please note LibU4 has been re-located and re-scheduled to: the new "campus" in Evansville, Indiana and will be held on September 28, 29 and 30th. This is just before the RCO Congress on October 1st, and the Grand Opening is the next day on Saturday, October 2nd. Come for the whole five days or just for the Grand Opening… please come and check out the Liberty Economy in action!

6. Important: How Associates Can Logon
As we all know, once you join the club and become a Liberty Associate, you can get the Liberty Dollar at a discount (wholesale) and use it at a profit (retail). What is not widely known is that there are TWO SHOPPING CARTS on our web site. One is public and the other is for Associates to use for discounted prices. Almost everything is discounted on the Associate Shopping Cart. So if you are a Liberty Associate and have never discovered the Liberty Shopping Cart, please go to the Liberty Dollar home page, click on Liberty Associates in the navigational bar at the very top of the page, then on the left hand side click on Associate Login and enter your ID (which is your NRC#) and Password and wholla you can order on line at a discount. Quick and easy. And of course, if you have a problem, or an idea to improve it, please let us know via Truth@LibertyDollar.org or 888.421.6181. Thanks for all your support!

7. 7 Step Tour on the Home Page
Do you send people to our Home Page? Great! Thanks! Now have you ever noticed that we have organized a tour for first time visitors? Please check it out for yourself. Simply scroll down to the bottom and click on the “7 Step Tour”. It takes you on a quick tour of the seven most popular pages in a progressive way that encourages the visitor to become involved as a Liberty Associate. Please check it out, mention it to your referrals, and make any suggestions you think would make it better.

8. Discount Price on Brochures
Have you seen the new brochures? Quite frankly they look similar, except the image of the Gold Liberty is much better, sources have been added to the charts, address has been updated, and the usual laundry list of little corrections. The BIG difference is that we had 50,000 printed! And got a better quote, so now when you order 500 they are discounted to only $0.09 each and drops to $0.08 when you order 1,000! Just another indicator that the Liberty Dollar is growing up. And as we expand we will continue to pass on the savings so the Liberty Dollar will ever so steadily grow to its potential by providing a choice of money to all Americans.

9. Incident of the Month
Don Crandall a Liberty Associate in Napa, California reports this incident:

Several months ago I gave a Silver Liberty to the clerk at a local yogurt/Deli shop. Several weeks later the local police stopped me on the street to ask some questions about it. Apparently the bank that the shop owner deals with would not accept it for deposit. I had specifically told the young clerk that a bank may not accept it and to keep in the cash drawer and simply circulate it. I stood near the shop entrance and watched as he placed the Liberty into a bank deposit bag anyway.

I had told the police that I was willing to exchange it for an FRN just to be done with the issue, but this didn't appease them at all. I went on to explain, as well as I could at the time, why and how the Silver Liberty is perfectly legal currency and not counterfeit. They seemed determined to believe otherwise. In the meantime, they were unable or unwilling to confirm anything I told them. At this time, the issue goes unresolved, though I believe it eventually will turn out just fine.

Editors Note: As minor as this incident is, we take every incident with any official seriously. Please continue to report every incident to the NORFED office via Truth@LibertyDollar.org or 888.421.6181. And remember to remain calm, cool, and collected during any incident and get as many facts as possible. Every little bit helps. Thank you Don for bringing this incident to our attention.

10. Question of the Month
QUESTION: Why should I offer the Silver Liberty instead of the Silver Certificate when using the Liberty Dollar with a merchant or introducing it to a prospective Liberty Associate?
ANSWER: Quite frankly because it works better. Remember that in most cases the merchant or prospect is not familiar with the Liberty currency. The Silver Liberty simply has more instant credibility. Try this for yourself. Have someone drop a $10 Silver Certificate in one of your hands. Now have a $10 Silver Liberty dropped in your other hand. There is no comparison. It is very much like it was in early monetary history. First we had specie then we had warehouse receipts. It was only after people grew to trust specie did they slowly grow into trusting the paper warehouse receipts. We find the experience is the same as we reintroduce specie again. The specie is accepted first and then merchants and consumers grow into accepting the convenience that the Silver Certificates offer after the Liberty Dollar has earned their trust.

11. Liberty Associate of the Month
Some times it is not the Associate that spends the most currency or sponsors the most new Associates. Some times Associates do amazing things behinds the scene that influences the overall outcome. Other times people make amazing decisions, which have profound effects on themselves and many others.
Such is the case with this month's Associate of the Month, John Turner. John is an ex IRS agent who resigned when he discovered that the IRS was the "The Greatest Hoax". In fact, John contributed the chapter on the IRS to The Liberty Dollar book with that same title. Thank you John for taking a stand for value and becoming a Liberty Associate. It is good men like you who are returning our country to value - one dollar at a time by setting an example that I hope more IRS agents will follow.

12. Quote of the Month
"Fear is the foundation of most governments." John Adams (1776)

Closing Remarks:
Now in our sixth year, let us acknowledge our success and get behind Michael Badnarik. We have sought a candidate. We now have a candidate. We should unite and support Michael "Seabiscuit" Badnarik for President. Trust me, neither Dumb or Dumber will repeal or alter the Federal Reserve or the IRS. Please consider voting for Michael as a way to accomplish the goals of the Liberty Dollar.

Many thanks to all the Liberty Associates, Merchants, and RCOs for your continued support. For it is only by banding together and adopting a free and independent currency which provides us with "just weights and measures" that we will be able to throw off the yoke of a manipulated monetary system and generate a peaceful and prosperous society.

Thank you again for all your efforts to return America to value - one dollar at a time!

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