



Freedom Party

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

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November, 2002

Dear Friends & Supporters,

Though the writ has not yet been dropped, make no mistake about it: Ontario's next election is already well under way.

When I last wrote to you in August, it was to announce the launch of Freedom Party's election campaign in Belleville on September 21. Our presence in the riding on that day generated front-page attention (see enclosed reproductions). Expectations of our electoral presence in the Sarnia area have already generated similar attention (also enclosed).

My last letter also announced some changes at Freedom Party: a new focus, a new structure, and most importantly, our new party leader: Paul McKeever.

That's why I'm writing you again now. It is with great pleasure, anticipation, and excitement that I cordially invite you meet Paul McKeever by attending Freedom Party's ELECTION 2003 Dinner event to be held on:

Saturday, November 30, 2002

Doors open at 6:30 pm (Buffet Dinner at approx 7:00 pm)

at the:

Seven Dwarfs Restaurant

1659 Wharncliffe Rd S.,

LONDON, Ontario N6L 1J9

(easy access from Hwy401 - see map on reverse)

RESERVATIONS: \$50 per plate (partially tax-creditable*)

(*your net cost as low as \$27.50)

Make this your opportunity to meet Freedom Party's new leader in a setting that is comfortable and relaxed, following a buffet meal of your choosing. Master of ceremonies for the evening will be Fp's education critic **Robert Vaughan**, while I'll be on hand to give you a quick update on some of the dramatic changes occurring at Freedom Party.

In many ways, Election 2003 will be Freedom Party's first vigorous election effort. It will be the first campaign where our candidates will be running for votes. Our operating constitution that provides the necessary structure and procedures for organizing on the riding level is now in place and is second to none. Party membership is now in the process of being formalized, and membership cards will soon be issued to those who choose to become members.

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Thanks to Ernie Eves, interest in a political alternative is at an all-time high; Many voters still desperately want to see some semblance of 'common sense' in Ontario politics. Freedom Party is now their only choice.

To find out why, I invite you to examine Freedom Party's platform which is available online now at: www.freedomparty.on.ca. A printed copy of the platform is available on request, and will also be available at our November 30 dinner event.

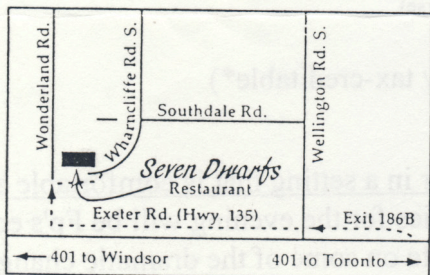
We already have more **candidates** now than we fielded in the last election; we still need others. If you are in any way open to the idea of representing Freedom Party in the next provincial election, please don't hesitate to contact me. If you know of anyone else who might be interested in running for Freedom Party, let us know. We also need riding **organizers** and **volunteers**. With your help, our candidates will have the support they need to do their jobs well. If you'd like to help out, let me know and we'll put you in touch with the appropriate people nearest to you.

And of course, we welcome and want the involvement of our friends, members and supporters. Use the enclosed response form and post-paid envelope to mail us your reservation and/or contribution by cheque, money order, VISA, MASTERCARD, or AMERICAN EXPRESS. Or call us now at **1-800-830-3301** to reserve your seat(s) by charging the credit card of your choice.

As always, if for any reason you are not able to attend our November 30 Election dinner event, your contributions are most needed and appreciated. Campaign 2003 is just beginning.

Time is limited! Your earliest response is most appreciated. Party leader Paul McKeever and the rest of us are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday November 30. Doors open at 6:30 pm. (Cash bar available.) Buffet dinner at 7:00 pm.

See you there!



Sincerely,
FREEDOM PARTY OF ONTARIO

Robert Metz
Robert Metz
Ontario President

P.S. Remember, all contributions to Freedom Party are tax-creditable --- 75% of the first \$300 donated in any given year is fully refunded to Ontario taxpayers! A post-paid envelope and response form are enclosed for your convenience. Friends and acquaintances are always welcome. Feel free to reserve a seat for a guest or guests, or have us invite them by filling out the back of your response form with the appropriate information.

Meet...

Paul McKeever

Leader, Freedom Party of Ontario



"Though overshadowed for a time by the Harris Tories, Freedom Party has always been Ontario's strongest defender of free market solutions. With the PC agenda taken over by 'red' Tories under Eves, Freedom Party is now Ontario's *only* dedicated and unwavering party of CHOICE in EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, and ELECTRICITY. We no longer *share* with the Tories a place on the political spectrum. We now *own* the free market position outright."

Born and raised in Oshawa Ontario in 1966, **Paul McKeever** earned his Honours Bachelor of Science degree at *Trent University* in Peterborough, Ontario, where he was on the Dean's list in his third and graduating years.

Paul earned a Masters degree in Psychology at the *University of Western Ontario*, where he was awarded a National Sciences and Engineering Research Council scholarship in 1990. He was admitted to the Ph.D. program in 1991 and completed a year of Ph.D. studies before making the final decision to pursue a degree in law at Western Law School. Paul graduated with his law degree (LL.B.) and in 1995 articulated with *Cohen*,

Highley, Vogel & Dawson in London Ontario before his February 1997 call to the Ontario bar.

Paul opened his own civil litigation practice in 1997 and continues to practice civil litigation to date. His victories include the ground breaking 2002 case of *Ivens v. Automodular*, in which the Divisional Court of Ontario decided, for the first time in Canadian history, that a woman's pregnancy at the time of being dismissed from employment is to be considered when deciding how much notice, or pay in lieu of notice, she should receive.

Paul also founded, owns and operates mondopolitico.com, a non-profit, non-

partisan, education political web site designed to encourage greater involvement and understanding in politics.

Happily married, Paul is the proud father of two young children. His concern for the future of Ontario's children and about the debt that past governments have left for them, is his chief motivation in offering Ontarians a real alternative to the tired and ineffective proposals of Ontario's old parties.

Paul's commitment to individual freedom and personal responsibility is reflected in his work and in the policies of the Freedom Party of Ontario. He has been an influential and active member of Freedom Party since 1992.

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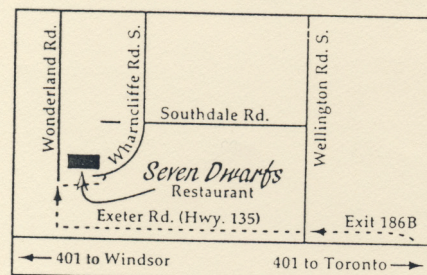
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This party deals with freedom

By Derek Baldwin
THE INTELLIGENCER

A new provincial political party is about to sink local roots. Today, the first tangible efforts to launch the Freedom Party will surface in Prince Edward-Hastings County with a full day constituency workshop at the Ramada Inn in Belleville.

Robert Metz, a Freedom Party founder and Ontario president will be joined by Paul McKeever, Ontario party leader, in addresses to those registered for the conference.

The Freedom Party was formed Jan. 1, 1984 but has yet to gain political ground in the last 20 years.

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Freedom Party tries to take root locally

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In a statement, Metz acknowledged the battle for publicity and said he was quoted two decades ago that "it would be at least 20 years before enough people even heard of the name Freedom Party to make a party a viable option in Ontario's political marketplace."

Metz said the emphasis of the party during that time was not "exclusively political; it necessarily included advocacy, education, and lobbying."

But he said now is the time for the party to come out.

"There is a pending provincial election on the horizon and the time has arrived to focus on the Freedom Party of Ontario's efforts

on getting candidates elected...," he said.

The workshop, he said, is "a must for everyone wanting to get involved on an organization or candidate level in the next provincial election."

Local Hastings-Prince Edward Freedom Party president Trueman Tuck is organizing the event.

Following the 9 a.m. opening and a 10:15 a.m. address by Metz, party leader McKeever will give a speech at 11:15 a.m..

Tuck will discuss the organization of a constituency association at 1 p.m.

The day is expected to conclude at 3 p.m.

Sunday, September 22, 2002

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, its education critic Robert Vaughan and Trueman Tuck, president of the party's Prince Edward-Hastings constituency association. Each official addressed the approximately 25 members during the workshop, held at the Ramada Inn.



PAUL
MCKEEVER

Choices in health care and education for Ontarians — which include turning over education tax dollars directly to the school of people's choice, and opening up government health care insurance to competition from outside agencies — are high-priority issues on the party's platform, said McKeever.

"Rationing, crisis, taxation, service cuts and punishment are not the hallmarks of freedom and democracy but of oppression and mob rule," he told members. "Our government's health care system is not one to be found in a society of personal choice, but one most suited for a dictatorship."

The party was founded on the "best of both liberal and conservative values," said McKeever: individual freedom of choice, and personal responsibility. We believe that, balanced together, these values are the blueprint for a better Ontario."

Metz, one of the party's founding members, said he was quoted in 1986 as saying "it would be at least 20 years before people even heard of the name Freedom Party to make it a viable option in Ontario's political marketplace."

"With a pending provincial election on the horizon, the time has arrived to focus on getting candidates elected." (In recent weeks, there has been growing speculation that Premier Ernie Eves is planning an early vote, possibly this spring. There have also been reports of Eves being advised to call one this fall.)

Born and raised in Oshawa, McKeever, a civil litigation attorney, said the Prince Edward-Hastings riding association "continues to receive an influx of members who are realizing that they do have an option to the current political parties. We are gaining ground day by day."

Above:

-from the Belleville *Intelligencer*
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At Right:

-from the Belleville *Intelligencer*
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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 a 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 beyond its Canadian base and has become an international party.

"The whole party is restructuring and reforming our agenda," says Metz, adding that a new leader has been selected. Paul McKeever, a lawyer from Toronto now heads the party, a position Metz himself had held for some time.

"It's a whole new ball game," Metz said, although he says the party has not strayed from its original belief in personal freedom and responsibility.

The party's premise is that: "Every individual, in the peaceful pursuit of personal fulfillment, has an absolute right to his or her own life, liberty, and property."

In the last provincial election, the party fielded 14 candidates. Already, 20 have been signed up, and Metz said the party is hoping for at least 50

to be in place once the election is announced.

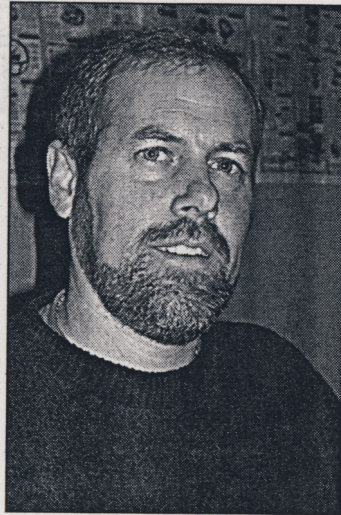
"We will make the difference between the winners and losers," in many of the ridings, Metz said. "We know we can count on one to two per cent of the vote, and if we can get five per cent, we're doing great."

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

Metz says party members believe strongly in the rights of the individual, and says nobody - including members of political parties - has more rights than anybody else because they happen to belong to a particular group, special interest or otherwise.

People "should have the right to do anything that doesn't violate the freedom of someone else," he said. Only when there are violations of that freedom should government be involved, Metz says.

He says the party has grown and evolved significantly since its early days when, "we thought we were doing great if we got 200 newsletters out in a month."



The Observer

Andrew Falby will be the standard bearer for the Freedom Party in the next provincial election.

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

Metz adds party members have seen the influence of smaller parties, like the NDP, and their ability to influence government even from a minority position. "Small party policies are often adopted by the larger parties," said Metz.

Preferring not to be labelled as belonging to either side of

the political spectrum, Metz says the FP could be described as "small 'l' liberal, and small 'c' conservative."

He said government has become too intertwined in the day-to-day lives of Canadians, and said, "government can't referee if it's one of the players in the game."

Locally, Andrew Falby, 41, is prepared to run in the Sarnia-Lambton riding for a third time. The first time, he ran as an independent, but discovered the FP in time for his second bid.

This time around, he said interest in the party has grown, and it's possible there could be some competition for the nomination. Falby said he not only welcomes it, but encourages people to become more involved in the process.

People are becoming more aware of the party and its ideals, said Falby, adding that since the events of last Sept. 11, there has been a tremendous focus on freedom in North America.

"How much freedom do we trade off for security?" asks Falby.

Governments, he said, act unilaterally in a bid to protect citizens, but in the process, personal freedoms can be compromised. "It's a slippery slope," he said. "At what point is it enough, or too much?"

At the same time, Falby said, "I don't believe in anarchy," and that some form of government is necessary, but not the all-intrusive governments which exist today in most parts of the world.

Exceptions, he says, include Costa Rica, which has a libertarian party in opposition, and the republic of Somalia. "It's not unattainable," he said.

An FP government would be reflected in a strong military designed to safeguard the citizens, as well as "a strong court of justice and a strong civil (police) force to protect people from hurting each other, but with as little government as possible."

Falby, who is self-employed, said he believes that most people are good and noble, but often don't realize how much government control is exerted on their lives.

Falby said, "I've been studying the history of freedom and liberty and I have certain insights that others might not. If I can influence just one candidate, the world might just be a better place."

To find out more about the party, visit www.freedomparty.on.ca.

To contact the writer: krobinet@theobserver.ca

Reserve now! Call:
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Dinner at 7:00 pm
Cash Bar Available

Above: from the Sarnia Observer
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COUNT ME IN for your Saturday, NOVEMBER 30 dinner event in LONDON.

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

SORRY, I won't be able to attend Freedom Party's November dinner event, but I'D LIKE TO HELP! I enclose my contribution of _____ \$1000

\$500	\$250	\$100	\$50	\$25	OTHER: \$
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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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Chart below indicates tax-credits for sample total annual contributions.

Contribution Tax Credit	Actual Cost
\$50	\$37.50
\$100	\$75.00
\$200	\$150.00
\$300	\$225.00
\$500	\$325.00
\$1000	\$425.00

I know other individuals who might be interested in FREEDOM PARTY's NOVEMBER 30 Dinner Event. Please send them an invitation.

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(SEE CHART ON REVERSE SIDE FOR SAMPLE CREDITS.)