

Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2021

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The 9/12 Project of The Lehigh Valley, Inc.

(DBA: The Lehigh Valley Tea Party)

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Executive Summary

This report is provided to all current members (both regular and associate) in accordance with Article VIII of our Bylaws.

The Lehigh Valley Tea Party is the largest local grassroots conservative group in Pennsylvania and perhaps, the largest in the nation. We are a non-profit, non-partisan, pro-active organization, dedicated to the education of our members and citizens about constitutionally limited government and many of the important issues of the day, including taxes/spending/debt, second amendment, illegal immigration, energy policy and more.



Our goal, through community education and public activism, is to restore America through the preservation of unalienable Individual Rights as established by the Declaration of Independence, thereby returning government to the limits placed on it by the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

As part of the 9-12 Project, The Lehigh Valley Tea Party is rather unique in that we base our activities on the 9 Principles and 12 Values. Amongst these are a belief in God, the right to life, liberty and the pursuit (not guarantee) of happiness, the understanding that the government works for us, honesty, thrift, voluntary charity, hard work, and personal responsibility. Though belief in all of these principles is not required for membership, conviction in at least seven of them provides enough commonality for us to rally behind the cause.

The 9/12 Project of the Lehigh Valley Incorporated (DBA: Lehigh Valley Tea Party) started the year with a presentation entitled "How They Plan to Steal the Election." We ended the year discussing how we should respond to the stolen election that we had previously predicted.

Throughout the year, in addition to our primary meeting location at the Fearless Fire Hall in Allentown, we held meetings at South Mountain Grove and held a BBQ at Macungie Memorial Park. We elected a new Executive Board and welcomed new members.

We had a successful year as we surpassed our stated goals for both membership and cash-on-hand. Memberships, donations and raffles were the primary contributors. Membership increased by 175% and our cash-on-hand rose 162%. This supports our long-term goal of building 'Members and Money' which is a generally accepted measure of an organization's political power.

It should be noted that our reason for building political power is that one cannot affect political change without it. We held discussions regarding forming a state-wide organization (SWO) with Berks County Patriots and Pennsylvania Liberty Alliance inviting them to be founding members of the SWO along with us. Additionally, we continued to vet state and local candidates and welcomed several of them to speak at our monthly meetings.

As we move through 2022, we plan to continue increasing our power base and launch three major projects:

- 1) Fight Progressivism and Socialism
- 2) Reject the tyrannical mandates
- 3) Educate members and Encourage Conservatives to run for local and state office.

Activity 2021

Fiscal year 2021 was an exciting year for our organization. We kicked off the year with a presentation at our January meeting focused on our three initiatives:

- Reduce/Eliminate Election Fraud
- Reject Socialism including unlawful mandates
- Form a statewide organization that would represent a *unified voice of conservatism in Pennsylvania*

We successfully identified and recruited new leaders and volunteers to help launch these initiatives. Also, we dealt with COVID-19 bans on public meetings and numerous other unconstitutional executive orders issued by our tyrannical governor. We did not hold a February meeting due to COVID-19 outbreaks. In March, we elected several new Board Members and distributed our Annual Report. Several local and state candidates spoke to our members and we held petition signings to get true conservatives on the ballot.

At our April meeting, State Representative Russ Diamond, a courageous Constitutionalist, walked us through three critically important questions on the May primary ballot that would have extended Governor Wolf's overreach. The overreach was stopped by an informed electorate and the three PA Constitutional Amendments were passed. These Amendments were the first in the country to address the Governor's emergency powers since the pandemic began. In 2021 and 2022, at least six other states will vote on at least seven other ballot measures in response to the coronavirus pandemic and related restrictions.

During April, the LVTP held demonstrations at State Representative Joe Emrick's and Ann Flood's Lehigh Valley offices. In May, we demonstrated at Representative Zach Mako's office and in June at Representative Gary Day's office. The LVTP asked six GOP state house Representatives in our area to cosponsor Daryl Metcalfe's resolution to impeach Governor Wolf. Representatives Ryan Mackenzie and Milou Mackenzie cosponsored the impeachment resolution.

We explained to the Representatives that "our members expect that the people we elect will stand up for what is right and will Fight for America. Your constituents are angry with arbitrary authoritarian rule and will not tolerate tyrants such as Wolf."

Poll Watchers and Poll Greeters were recruited for Election Day by the Republican Action Team.

At our May meeting, Judge Paula Patrick, candidate for the PA Supreme Court, provided us with an update on her statewide campaign. We also heard from Jack Iannantuono, President of Eastern Pennsylvania Firearms Committee, who discussed how we make Pennsylvania a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary State. Additionally, a discussion was held regarding the Pennsylvania Constitutional Amendment.

Our June meeting was very exciting. Our guest speakers were Kathy Barnette, candidate for US Senate, Lisa Scheller, candidate for US Congress, and Lou Barletta, candidate for PA Governor. Additionally, the PA state-wide organization, Pennsylvania Voters United, created in March 2021, was introduced to our members. Their mission is to affect strong election legislation and enforcement in order to restore voter confidence in the PA election process.

The 10th Annual Public Reading of the Declaration of Independence was held on July 4th at Bethlehem City Hall by LVTP Chairman Tom Carroll, Esq.

At our July meeting, Americans for Prosperity-PA catered a BBQ at the Macungie Memorial Park and Grover Norquist spoke on behalf of the organization. He shared his proposal to "Stop the Spending Spree" and kill the \$4T Infrastructure legislation. A group picture was taken and shared with Susan Wild. Candidate for PA Superior Court Megan Sullivan spoke, along with Lisa Scheller and Steve Lynch, candidate for Northampton County Executive.

August was a jam-packed meeting that included an election integrity update by State Senator Doug Mastriano and an informative presentation by US Law Shield on the use of "Deadly Force" in self-defense. Members were offered a discount and encouraged to join US Law Shield. Our 11th Annual Lehigh Valley 9/12 Project Pig Roast and Picnic was held on August 28th at the Hellertown Reservoir Park and enjoyed by all.

September's agenda was "The Real Truth About the 2020 Election, The Republican Party and the Mess We're In." The facts around PA Act 77 allowing mail-in ballots, Proof that the GOP

walked away from the fraud, Audit/Fraud updates for AZ, MI and PA, and the proof of how voting machines can throw an election were shared.

On September 26th, members were encouraged to attend the “Let Freedom Ring” rally in Quakertown to learn about our Constitution and how to support positive change for the future.

Allentown’s South Mountain Grove hosted our October meeting. An Oktoberfest was held along with a candidate forum featuring local Lehigh and Northampton candidates seeking county office. Guest Speaker Randolph Russell regaled the crowd with his amazing story on the history of America. The Medical Freedom Committee on Freedom to Choose updated our members on the COVID-19 treatment options not endorsed by the CDC and hidden from the public by the media. The Education Committee on Critical Race Theory 1619 Project presented the socialist agenda for indoctrinating our youth.

At our November meeting, celebrity heroes, retired CIA officer Sam Faddis and local Bucks County resident Simon Campbell, joined our patriot-packed house for a discussion on the political dangers we face and opposition to the teaching of Critical Race Theory.

At our December meeting, we presented whistle blower video of the corrupt Delco Audit by democratic county officials that ensured the illegitimate election of Joe Biden by the voters of PA. Also, Jason Ritchie, a purported conservative outsider, and Republican candidate for PA’s Governor, spoke to us about his conservative philosophy and campaign.

We ended the year on a high note with a high-energy, fun-filled Christmas party and dinner.

Planned Activity for 2022

The focus of our plan for this year is to ‘Fight Progressivism and Socialism’. Clearly, the Left will stop at nothing in their quest to eliminate conservatism. Therefore, we have chosen to fight back. Our 2022 plans are extremely aggressive and include three large, complex projects. They are: 1) Fight Progressivism and Socialism, 2) Reject the tyrannical mandates, and 3) Educate members and Encourage Conservatives to run for local and state office.

Fight Progressivism and Socialism

The primary mission of this project is to push back against the Left’s march to socialism and save our Constitutional rights. Based on the complexity of this project and the limited resources that we have available; it will likely launch after the other two projects.

Project goals include:

- Find ways to successfully fight socialist indoctrination of our children in K-12 and higher education
- Oppose acts of ‘social justice’ and promote ‘merit justice’
- Aggressively push back against “politically correct” language, and the Left’s demand to eliminate gender references.

It is clear that these three projects will require a great deal of work. Their success will depend on volunteer skills and commitment, as well as project leader abilities to get the job done.

Reject the tyrannical mandates

We must say “enough is enough”. We’ve followed the REAL SCIENCE and we know the mandates are for political gain and control and not everyone’s safety. It is up to us to stop the madness and say no more. Masks, injections and medical/medicine are an individual choice. No Government or Pharmaceutical company should dictate how we choose to protect ourselves or what treatments to take.

Educate members and encourage conservatives to run for local and state office

The “Left” has infiltrated and tipped the scales in every level of government. We need to balance this scale with conservatives. Organize training sessions, petition signing events and assist with connecting volunteer base.

Membership Report

For multiple reasons, 2021 proved to be a period of strong growth for us. We had a few board members who worked especially hard to bring people into our organization. They recruited new members at our meetings, from local businesses, and at our many flag waves.

Additionally, we circulated two very successful petitions (“Reopen PA” and “Impeach Wolf”) which garnered over 18,000 signatures between them. We then offered Associate memberships to signers living within a 25 mile radius of Allentown.

2021 Year End	2020 Year End
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total membership: 6,463 • Associate Members: 5,296 • Regular Members: 1167 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total membership: 4,729 • Associate Members: 4,059 • Regular Members: 670

As a result, we increased our Regular members by 75% and our Total membership by 37%

This is truly an amazing growth rate, especially when one considers that across the county, most grassroots conservative groups have completely faded away.

Further, as a result of increased membership, our average monthly meeting attendance has also increased. Last year we averaged about 275 per meeting. This year, our average is over 300 people despite Covid19 concerns.

It is also important to note that we now have a team of executive board and regular members processing memberships and handling the meeting check-in system. Until now, it was just two board members handling this work. This change is the result of a new policy whereby board members take responsibility for major functions and build teams to carry them out. We are pleased to report that this new approach is working extremely well.

In addition to growing our total membership, we nearly doubled our paid Regular membership which accounts for 18% of our total membership. Our goal for 2022 is to continue to increase Total and Regular membership through social media and relevant and informative monthly meetings with candidate forums.

Financial Report

Fiscal year 2020 provided many challenges as we dealt with ever changing venue options resulting from the Governor's bizarre and tyrannical crowd size restrictions. Even so, we managed to have another great year, surpassing last year's totals.

	Checking	Savings	Total
2021 opening balance	\$15,882.91	\$29,787.49	\$45,670.40
2021 closing balance	\$13,202.81	\$60,796.57	\$73,999.38

<i>Accounts that make up the total bank balance</i>	
General Account	\$56,467.45
2nd Amendment Committee	\$4,374.39
Election Fraud Fund	\$10,489.24
Right to Life	\$232.75
Individual Rights-Energy	\$27.00
SFA Building	\$2,408.55
	\$73,999.38

<i>Major Revenue Categories</i>	<i>Total</i>
Raffles	\$20,476.40
Donations	\$18,196.00
Membership	\$27,745.51
Merchandise	\$536.81
Pig Roast	\$5,796.00

<i>Major Expense Categories</i>	
Advertising	000.00
Insurance	(-\$1,739.00)
Supplies, Equipment & Printing	(-\$11,724.98)
Meeting Hall Rental	(-\$11,717.17)
Professional Services	(-\$7,222.14)
Speaker fees	\$000.00
Travel & Lodging	(-\$4,609.82)
Robo-Call & Text Messaging	(-\$2,541.68)
PO box rental & postage	(-\$374.10)

Notes:

- On January 30, 2022 our Finance Committee conducted an accounting audit for fiscal year 2021 and found no issues.
- Our budget for 2022 is based on 2021 totals.