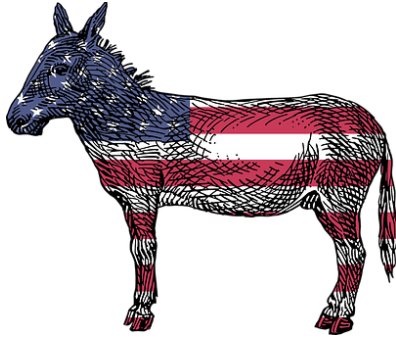


It's Time for a Change!



Dear Fellow Democrat,

This election season is a critical turning point for Shelter Island Democrats. The candidates mentioned below want to bring new leadership to the Committee that will make the Shelter Island Democratic Committee (SIDC) (1) more democratic and responsive to the views of Democratic voters and the views of its own members; (2) more Democratic by promoting Democratic candidates and values; and (3) more financially professional.

In the last election the leadership of the SIDC refused to adequately recognize or support the elected Democratic candidates who won the primary by a ratio of 2:1. But the people spoke in November. Both candidates for Town Board were elected. The Supervisor candidate narrowly lost against a popular incumbent. With true SIDC support, he might have won.

Many current SIDC committee members are now joining forces with others in the community to reform the SIDC. We want the committee to be more responsive to the voters and not to the backdoor politics of handpicking favorite people without full committee input or support.

If elected on June 25, we will promote open and fair discussions, work to attract new candidates, and nominate candidates who can win elections. We will also carefully monitor our finances and resolve the discrepancies identified by the Suffolk County Board of Elections and Suffolk County Democratic Committee that resulted in the refund of contributions made last year and the inability to spend or collect any monies this year.

Below are our candidates for each of the SIDC Election District (ED) seats. On June 25 (or before by early or absentee ballot), in the Democratic Primary, you will vote to select two representatives for your ED (see info below for more voter information or to determine your ED).

Many of us have served or are presently serving on the SIDC. Each candidate brings a different perspective to the conversation. We are looking for your support!

ED 1: Greg Toner and William Mastrogiacomo (Bill Mastro): Greg and Bill have both worked on the SIDC committee, Greg, a member of the Water Advisory Committee, The Water Quality Improvement Committee and the existing SIDC. Bill, a retired attorney with a focus on governance, has been on the SIDC, is presently President of the Hay Beach Association and is a member of the Community Housing Board. Both are long-time Democrats. In comparison, the two challenging candidates registered as Democrats only after they were recruited by the existing Chair.

ED 2: Catherine Brigham and Mark Mobius: Catherine is the art teacher in Shelter Island School, involved in multiple community programs and projects and presently the Vice Chair of the Democratic Committee. Mark is a member of the Community Housing Board, a strong environmentalist and runs a successful environmental study program for children.

ED 3: **Elizabeth Hanley and Kathleen Gooding:** In addition to being a successful accountant, Liz is the chairperson of the Community Housing Board, coordinates the Community Clothing Swap meets and is an existing member of the SIDC. Kathy is active with the Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee and represents Shelter Island on the Suffolk County Parks Commission.

ED 4: **Barrie Silver:** Barrie is a current member of the SIDC and an active community volunteer. She is running unopposed.

In addition to the Committee vote on June 25 is the **Democratic Primary** vote for local representatives. We support and ask you to vote for the following candidates:

Arnott (Gordon) Gooding, Jr. for SI Town Board (seat vacated by Amber Brach-Williams)

John Avlon for CD1 US Congress House Representative to challenge Nick LaLota.

Tommy John Schiavoni for NYS Assembly Representative (seat being vacated by Fred Thiele).

Thanks for your support.

Cat, Liz, Bill, Greg, Mark, Kathy and Barrie



To find out which ED you are registered in use this map as a guide or go to: <https://elections.ny.gov>

To vote in the June 25 Democratic primary and committee election on Shelter Island, you must be registered as a Democrat here. If you are registered as a Democrat elsewhere in New York, you can change your address by June 10; if you are registered in another state (regardless of how) or not registered anywhere, you can register by June 15. See <https://elections.ny.gov/registration-and-voting-deadlines>. If you are already registered in New York, the deadline for changing your political party registration for the primary has passed.

To apply for an absentee ballot, go to <https://elections.ny.gov/request-ballot>.

If you would be interested in helping our campaign please email go to www.SIDemocrats.org or contact Cat.brigham@icloud.com

VOTE JUNE 25, 2024