
THE BROADWAY DEMOCRATS

◆ District Leaders: Curtis Arluck, Paula Diamond Román ◆ President: Luis Román ◆

A Town Hall Meeting

THE QUALITY OF LIFE AROUND 125TH STREET

For Residents of Grant Houses, Manhattanville, & Morningside Heights

Speakers will make brief presentations, followed by an in-depth question and answer session.

Thursday, June 11, 2015

Meeting starts at 8:00 PM

Manhattan Pentecostal Church

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Petitioning Has Begun

We need you to carry petitions for Curtis, Paula, Judge Tanya Kennedy, and our local candidates. We will be out on the street every Saturday and other days as well.

Join Us!

To help, contact Curtis Arluck,

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President's Corner

Luis Román

Summer is here, and along with tank tops, shorts and sunscreen, another annual tradition is back. Broadway Democrats will be on the streets this month, asking registered Democrats for their signatures on petitions to place candidates on the ballot for this year's election.

We need your support for this year's candidates. Our District Leaders, Curtis and Paula, are running for re-election. Civil Court Judge Tanya Kennedy is also running for re-election; the club endorsed her at the May meeting. In addition, we have candidates for Delegate to the county's Supreme Court nominating convention who need your support, as well as the Democratic Party County Committee.

There are two ways you can support Broadway Democrats' candidates. When you see a Broadway Dems table on Broadway this month, please stop by, say hello and have a chat, then sign a petition. You can only sign once, but your support is greatly appreciated. Also, you can pick up a petition from Curtis and get signatures from your neighbors, in your building, or on your block. The only requirement is that the signer must be a currently registered Democrat, registered in the 69th Assembly District.

We think of politics on many different levels, and the constant flood of media, from the 24/7 news networks and the internet sites remind us of all the issues and actions that have an impact on our lives. But at its most basic level, politics is about neighbors connecting with neighbors, helping out and fighting for the causes we believe in.

Your support throughout the years has always meant a lot to the club. We wouldn't be nearly as effective in our work without that support. We look forward to seeing you on Broadway this month. Please stop by, say hello, and support this year's candidates.



Steering Committee

Ed Sullivan

The Steering Committee voted unanimously to endorse this letter and to present it to the membership for their endorsement.

United States Senator Charles Schumer
We are writing to urge you to make a strong commitment to the policies of President Barack Obama concerning the ongoing negotiations between the United States and the state of Iran.

The purpose of these negotiations is to halt the development of nuclear weapons by the government of Iran. Although the negotiations will not result in a detailed agreement until June 30th of this year, there is reason to believe that an agreement, successful in its antinuclear purpose, is well within reach.

The main threat to the success of the negotiations is an attempt by the Republican leadership in the Congress to subvert the negotiations by demanding that any agreement be reviewed, and effectively be rewritten, by the Congress. Those Republican leaders have clearly indicated their disagreement with the policy initiatives of the President. Can anyone doubt that such a revision, with politics as its main theme, will destroy any agreement reached by the President and the government of Iran?

That will leave war as the only viable mechanism for restraining Iran's dynastic ambitions. We prefer a negotiated agreement to war.

There may be a need to reexamine the relationship between a negotiating President and Congress, but this is clearly not the time to do so. The emotional turmoil surrounding these current negotiations will overwhelm intelligent and dispassionate deliberation on the balance of powers within our government.

Until in a calmer time we can begin a serious reexamination of the balance of powers, we expect you, as an important leader in the Democratic Party, either to support the policies of President Obama, our duly elected, and reelected, national leader, and the leader of the Democratic Party, or to offer a plausible alternative to those policies other than war.

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We were saddened to learn of the death of Linda Schoener, a longtime member of the Broadway Democrats who served as a frequent and dedicated Judicial Delegate. Her partner sent the notice and photograph printed below.

Memorial Service for Linda Schoener

A memorial service for Linda Schoener, who unexpectedly died of cardiac arrest, will be held on June 27 at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. This service will be at 4:00 in the St. Martin of Tours Chapel, located slightly to the right "behind" the high altar. This chapel is reached from the walkway that circles the high altar (directly ahead from the Cathedral's main entrance on Amsterdam Ave).

Linda received a Master's from Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation. She believed in social justice, loved public events, wrote about broadband, and was grateful for her friendship with so many of you.



Membership

In order to vote in club elections (endorsements, elections of officers, judicial convention, amendments), you must be an eligible, voting member of the Broadway Democrats. You must have attended at least one of the previous nine monthly public meetings and you must pay your dues. Dues partially defray the costs of presenting forums and putting out this newsletter. Dues are \$25; senior dues are \$10.

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