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Meeting:



• **Clare Donohue**  
Sane Energy Project

Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 8:00 P.M.  
Charlie Brown's Steakhouse, 1001 Goethals Road North



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Items for publication must be submitted to the newsletter no later than the last Friday of the month before the meeting. Please send items to: [cmaxbauer@yahoo.com](mailto:cmaxbauer@yahoo.com).

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*"I hold it, that a little rebellion, now and then, is a good thing, and as necessary in the political world as storms are in the physical."*

*- Thomas Jefferson*  
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July 19 S.ID.A. Picnic

# S.I.D.A Picnic

**Sunday, July 19, 2014  
11:30a.m. – 5:00p.m.**

**Willowbrook Park Barbecue Area**

**Driving Directions:**

**Richmond Avenue, turn east on Eton Place  
Barbecue area is behind the carousel.**

**Celebrate summer!**



For information contact Roy Moskowitz  
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## S.I.D.A. President's Statement

June 2015

It was inevitable. The Republicans knew from past experience exactly what would happen if the Affordable Care Act was implemented: millions of Americans who had believed their lies about the dire consequences of the ACA would begin to find out the truth, and there would be no turning back to the days before the passage of the ACA. There have been recent articles about former opponents of the Affordable Care Act whose eyes have been opened due to their own need for medical care. One such example is Luis Lang, who says “Now that I’m looking at what each party represents, my wife and I are both saying — hey, we’re not Republicans!” Lang said. He added that, though he’s not a political person by nature and has never voted solely along party lines, he wants to rip up his voter registration card on national television so Americans will have proof that he’s making the switch. ([http://thinkprogress.org/health/2015/05/19/3660701/luis-lang-obamacare/?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=tptop3](http://thinkprogress.org/health/2015/05/19/3660701/luis-lang-obamacare/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tptop3))

Mr. Lang still has problems with the ACA, as do many of us – there must be revisions in the legislation that make it easier to access health insurance, and make it more affordable. It is far from the single provider national health care system that many of us preferred. However, it still is an improvement over the “no access to health care” that is the only solution offered by the Republican opponents.

This realization among the American people of the benefits of the ACA is what had the Republicans in Congress terrified! The Republicans in the House passed bill after bill after bill repealing the ACA, in the hope that they could stop it before it could be implemented, because they knew that once it was implemented, the American people would realize that the Republican claims about it were as bogus as their claims against Social Security and Medicare, when they tried to prevent the Democrats from giving those programs to the American people.

President Roosevelt’s challenger in the 1936 election, Alf Landon, condemned Social Security, especially the funding of it through a payroll tax: “This is the largest tax bill in history. And to call it ‘social security’ is a fraud on the workingman,” he said in one speech “I am not exaggerating the folly of this legislation. The saving it forces on our workers is a cruel hoax.” (<http://billmoyers.com/content/deja-vu-all-over-a-look-back-at-some-of-the-tirades-against-social-security-and-medicare/>)

The overwrought rhetoric against Social Security sounds very familiar to anyone following the Republican arguments against the ACA:

Rep. John Taber (R-NY): “Never in the history of the world has any measure been brought here so insidiously designed as to prevent business recovery, to enslave workers and to prevent any possibility of the employers providing work for the people.”

Rep. Daniel Reed (R-NY): “The lash of the dictator will be felt, and 25 million free American citizens will for the first time submit themselves to a fingerprint test.”

Rep. James W. Wadsworth (R-NY): “[passage of Social Security would open the door to a government power] so vast, so powerful as to threaten the integrity of our institutions and to pull the pillars of the temple down upon the heads of our descendants.” (<http://talkingpointsmemo.com/dc/gop-social-security-medicare-freedom>)

Ronald Reagan’s 1961 hysterical diatribe against a precursor to Medicare could have been spoken by any of the Republican opponents to the ACA: “If you don’t [write your senator in opposition to King-Anderson], this program, I promise you, will pass just as surely as the sun

will come up tomorrow, and behind it will come other federal programs that will invade every area of freedom as we have known it in this country,” Reagan said, “until one day... we will wake to find that we have socialism. And if you don’t do this and I don’t do this, one of these days we are going to spend our sunset years telling our children and our children’s children, what it once was like in America when men were free.”

Bob Dole reminisced fondly in 1995: “I was there, fighting the fight, one of the twelve, voting against Medicare because in 1965 we knew it wouldn’t work.”

So, what happened when in spite of these dire warnings, Social Security and Medicare were passed and implemented? The American people loved these programs, understood how they benefitted from them. The Republicans realized that the only way they could get rid of them was by subterfuge, by trying to substitute “vouchers” for Medicare, and “privatizing” Social Security, for example. They make false claims about how Social Security is on the brink of bankruptcy, and must be changed, cut back, the age of eligibility raised. At one of the few debates/forums attended by Republican Dan Donovan, he responded to a question about whether he supported Social Security in its current form with the response, “I support it in its current form *for those who are getting it now.*” But Dan, those who are *working now* are the ones paying for those who are getting it now – are you saying that when it is time for THEM to retire, that THEY should not be entitled to receive Social Security in its current form?

It is important that Democrats fight any attempt to destroy these programs by such underhanded methods. It also is important to keep reminding the American people that it was the DEMOCRATS who gave the American people these programs, even as the Republicans opposed them from the beginning and keep trying to take them away.

- Joann Olbrich



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# sane energy project

*Clare Donohue of the Sane Energy Project will be the guest speaker at our June 16 General Membership Meeting.*

## **Project Mission**

**O**ur primary goal is to replace the drive to build shale gas infrastructure with a drive to build renewable infrastructure. In order for that to happen, movement building must facilitate a widespread call for system change. In order for that to happen, we work to facilitate change in three main areas:

1) Awareness – We work to:

- Echo and reinforce the work that others have done to educate about the risks of high-volume hydrofracking. But fracking doesn’t stop at drilling, it’s a full range of harms.

- Alert the public and elected officials to the risk that shale gas infrastructure may have a cumulative worse impact on climate, public health, regional character, economies and ecosystems than even drilling.
- Alert the public and elected officials about the non-democratic way shale gas infrastructure is reviewed and rubberstamped by agencies such as FERC, then imposed on unwilling communities, with devastating effects.

2) Attitudes - We aim to:

- Correct the false scenarios advertised by industry that shale gas is a climate solution, or safe, or a jobs creator.
- Reinforce the understanding that a rapid switch to renewable energy is not only possible, but under way, and that America's economic interests depend on switching.
- Create a groundswell of citizen outrage at a rigged review process that is a distortion of our democracy.

3) Action - We empower newcomers to lead, not to be led:

- Inherent in our movement building is our goal to model respectful, collaborative and bottom-up organizing; we abhor top-down organizing. We want newcomers and longtime members to feel confident in their ability to make change, wherever they may fall on the spectrum of activism.
- As awareness grows and attitudes shift, we encourage increasing levels of participation, everything from signing a petition to attending a community meeting or building artwork, to joining rallies or marches, testifying at hearings or leafleting, to organizing neighbors or campaigns.

We hope to instill a sense of joy in doing this work. Our motto is, "Have fun, Change the world!"

[www.saneenergyproject.org](http://www.saneenergyproject.org)

### **Donohue Biography**

Clare Donohue is a kitchen and bath designer living a secret life as an activist. She is one of the co-founders of Sane Energy Project, which was founded to oppose the Spectra pipeline in 2011. Quickly realizing that pipelines and shale gas infrastructure was likely to be a bigger ongoing issue in New York than even fracking, they have since been working to transition the city and state to renewable infrastructure. Sane Energy Project has founded multiple alliances, including the N.Y.C. Grassroots Alliance and the Northeast Pipelines Coalition. They are currently working to stop the Port Ambrose L.N.G. project, which conflicts with the Rockaway wind farm, a 700MW project the city desperately needs.




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# **S.I.D.A. Picnic, July 19**

(see page 3 for details)

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## Letters

*We in S.I.D.A. like to make our views known. The following are some of the letters written by S.I.D.A. members that have appeared in print. Unless otherwise indicated, all letters were in the Staten Island Advance and/or posted on the Advance's website [www.silive.com](http://www.silive.com). Unless explicitly stated, the views herein are those of the authors and are not the views of S.I.D.A.*



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### **Amtrak's Northeast Route Needs Rebuilding**

**I**n 1971, to relieve railroads of their money-losing passenger service, President Nixon created Amtrak.

While Amtrak's country-wide operations run a yearly deficit, Amtrak's North East Corridor (NEC) service turns a yearly profit.

The NEC carries 750,000 passengers each day, more intercity passengers within the Northeast (Boston to Washington) than all airlines combined. These passengers contribute \$50 billion annually to the national GDP. Everyday NEC service was down due to the Philadelphia crash, cost the country's economy \$100 million.

For us in the Northeast, the issue with Amtrak is not subsidizing an unprofitable operation; the issue is funding the NEC's capital needs.

Many of the critical NEC infrastructure, including the Hudson and East River tunnels, were built between the Civil War and the New Deal. It is estimated that the NEC will need \$21.1 billion in capital investment to address the aging infrastructure.

To put the \$21.1 billion in perspective, we have spent over \$60 billion on Iraqi reconstruction.

Fully funding the NEC's capital program will create 42,200 direct and 22,700 indirect jobs a year.

The question is why hasn't the federal government funded the NEC's capital needs?

The answer is simple. The current Republican Party platform calls for the federal government to eliminate Amtrak.

As recently as this March, 147 Republicans voted to remove all federal funding from Amtrak. Also in March, 101 Republicans voted against legislation that would prevent the profit generated by the NEC from being used to subsidize the country-wide system. This would have required that NEC profits only be used for the NEC's capital needs. The Republican-controlled Senate has not even scheduled this legislation for a vote.

When you vote to send a Republican to Washington, you vote to support the Republican leadership whose goal is to eliminate Amtrak, not to fund the NEC's capital needs.

*- Richard Reichard*



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### **Name a Staten Island Ferry Boat for a Woman**

I read with amazement that Sen. Schumer is recommending that one of the new class of ferries be named for ex-Borough President Molinaro.

Apart from the obvious confusion of having two boats with practically identical names (we now have the Molinari), why are ferries being named for living people? Are they paying the DOT for this?

It seems time to start naming ferries for people who are not white males.

There are many women with strong Staten Island ties who deserve such an honor: Dorothy Day, Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton, Jacques Marchais (Tibetan Museum), Mary Outerbridge (the Mother of Tennis), Louise Bourgeois (sculptor), Ida Tyler, second wife of President Tyler, and my favorite, Eliza Healy, an Afro-American woman who was born a slave in 1846 and became Mother Superior in the Congregation of Notre Dame, and was superior at Blessed Sacrament Academy.

If we have to have a man, it would be good to have an Afro-American; I suggest Langston Hughes, who worked as a painter on Staten Island.

Another possibility would be to have ferries named for some of the different areas of Staten Island.

How about St. George or Mariners Harbor or Tottenville?

If Mr. Molinaro wants recognition, a plaque could be put on the fish tanks in the St. George Terminal.

*- Richenda Kramer*



Online June 1, 2014

### **Political Parties Matter on Staten Island**

I grow weary of politicians proclaiming they do not believe in party politics. The latest being Senator Lanza's statement when he finally came clean regarding the District Attorney position: "I'm bipartisan, I never put politics first. I always tell people I'm not their Republican senator, their Democratic senator, I'm the senator."

Senator Lanza is promoting a government where a single person decides the group's interests. Political parties are not an ill to be eradicated. Political parties represent differing views, without which you do not have a democracy.

Bear in mind the senator's statement comes three-plus years after he, with his Staten Island Albany colleagues, broke a campaign pledge in order to ensure the senator's district remained heavily Republican. Having stomped out dissent in the voting, Senator Lanza wishes to only be answerable to himself as "the senator."

Even if its role has been greatly diminished by politicians such as Senator Lanza, fortunately for us, party affiliation still matters on Staten Island. Staten Island politicians who see themselves as above party politics should match word to deed and sever their party affiliation. The rest of us can then see how long those tyrannical wannabes can breath without oxygen.

- Gary Carsel



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## May 2015 Minutes

### **General Meeting May 19, 2015**

President Olbrich called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. She reported that Executive Secretary Mark Herman had been in the hospital and is now at Carmel Richmond Nursing Home. President Olbrich reported that Comptroller Scott Stringer will not be able to speak at our June meeting and plans to re-schedule for another date.

#### **Vice President's Report**

Vice President Susan Chew presented highlights from the most recent Executive Committee meeting held on May 7. She mentioned that she had spoken to Mark Herman. He told her that he was disappointed with the results of the recent special election for Congress and said that he knew that S.I.D.A. members did the best they could. Dennis Brown gave a brief report for Mark Herman. He said that Mark urged members to continue to work hard and to bring forth progressive politics.

### **Letter to Governor**

Dennis made the following motion: *Resolved that S.I.D.A. members send a letter to Governor Andrew Cuomo asking him respectfully to appoint a highly qualified experienced and eminently competent democratic attorney to fill the position of Richmond County District Attorney forthwith.* Richard Reichard seconded the motion.

Cindy Lowney made a friendly amendment that we ask the Governor to appoint Mario Mattei (Acting Supreme Court Judge) to the position of District Attorney Richmond County. She said that Judge Mattei would like the job and he has the experience and qualifications for the position. There was some discussion and President Olbrich pointed out that S.I.D.A. cannot endorse a candidate for Staten Island District Attorney until all the candidates have the opportunity to speak to the members.

Dennis said he couldn't accept Cindy's friendly amendment. Dennis's original motion carried with 2 opposed and no abstentions.

### **Social Secretary's Report**

Social Secretary Roy Moskowitz announced that the annual picnic will be held on Sunday, July 19 at Willowbrook Park from 11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. He said that he would be sending around a sign-up sheet and urged members to sign-up to help out on that day.

Roy also announced that S.I.D.A.'s Annual Banquet will be held on Thursday, September 10. He said he didn't have a venue yet and that he leaning towards holding the event at the Crystal Room. He also urged members to contact him with suggestions for honorees.

Roy mentioned that the tentative date for the Prisco Essay Contest is the March General Meeting. President Olbrich reminded members that Roy is sending around a sign-up sheet for the July picnic and she urged members to sign up and help out.

### **Issues Committee Report**

Chair Richard Reichard reported that Gary is finishing work on the Campaign Finance Reform Paper. He also mentioned that he is tracking Congressman Donovan's votes and that we cannot allow him to go unchallenged and establish himself as our Congressman. Richard added that he wants to hold rallies on various important issues, e.g. college loans, child care, Medicare and Social Security to highlight the difference between Democrats and Republicans and to promote the Democratic Party. He added that we have to take back the Democratic Party and the club has to take the lead.

### **PrideFest**

Bryan Ellicott announced that he is on the LGBT Pride Festival Committee. The event is scheduled for the week of July 11. At the May 7 Executive Committee meeting, Bryan asked if S.I.D.A. would become a sponsor of the event and had a proposal to present to the club for consideration. Executive Committee members agreed that Bryan should bring his request to the General meeting. Bryan told members he feels it is important for S.I.D.A. to support the LGBT community and he asked S.I.D.A. to become a sponsor of the event and offered the following options:

#### Option "A"

S.I.D.A. could purchase the following for the LGBT Pride Festival on July 11:

- a) 1 Full page ad One Island One Pride Guide \$150,

- b) 1 Full page ad Pride Guide \$150,
  - c) 4 Tickets – Pride Yankee Game \$100,
  - d) 4 Tickets - Tea Dance \$100,
  - e) Booth at Pride Fest \$75.
- Total ..... \$575.00

Option B

S.I.D.A. provide 20 volunteers for the set up/breakdown of Pride Fest in exchange for the package presented in Option A. The volunteers will be needed on July 11 (11 am – 6 p.m.) at Snug Harbor, 1000 Richmond Terrace.

Motion

Bryan made a motion to accept Option B. The motion was seconded by Sharon Santana. The motion carried.

**Guest Speaker**

Adam Weisman spoke on the Trans-Pacific Partnership (T.P.P.). Mr. Weisman is founder of Global Justice for Animals and the Environment, which is an organization addressing the threat posed by free trade agreements to animals; the environment; safe, ethical and sustainable food and the human rights of environmental defenders. Mr. Weisman explained that Congressional Democrats and grassroots activists are fighting efforts by Republicans to pass legislation that would help railroad T.P.P., Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), and Trade in Services Agreement (TISA), a series of massive NAFTA type trade deals through Congress. He explained that these deals threaten our jobs, environment, food safety, access to affordable medicines, internet freedom, banking regulations and even democracy because they expand corporate power.

Mr. Weisman urged S.I.D.A. members to contact Congressman Donovan to make sure he doesn't support fast track legislation for the T.P.P. He also mentioned that he brought literature and he was passing around sign-up sheets for members interested in getting involved.

**Old Business**

President Olbrich mentioned that the Richmond County Democratic Party will be holding a convention on May 27 at The Excelsior Grand. She added that they plan to nominate a candidate for Staten Island District Attorney and that District Leaders and County Committee Members are up for re-election this year. President Olbrich said that all Democratic candidates running for Staten Island District Attorney will be invited to speak before the club. She mentioned that sign-up sheets were being sent around for the March against Monsanto and for people to help at the Pride Fest.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Marie Dwyer*  
*Corresponding &*  
*Recording Secretary*





## PRIDE CENTER of STATEN ISLAND



### PRIDE on STATEN ISLAND keeps getting better and better!

2015 marks the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual PrideFest celebration on Staten Island, from its origins on the boardwalk in Midland Beach, to the park and streets of St. George and now Staten Island. PrideFest 2015 is a week long celebration starting on Monday, July 6 through Sunday, July 12.

**Monday July 6** join the Pride Center of Staten Island at a Staten Island Yankees Game! Tickets are only \$18 (includes an exclusive hat) or Upgrade to a \$26 ticket and get the hat PLUS a \$14 food & beverage card! For tickets go to [www.pridecentersi.org/si-yankees-pride-night](http://www.pridecentersi.org/si-yankees-pride-night) and make sure you use the offer code when you order. Proceeds benefit the Pride Center of Staten Island.

**Tuesday, July 7** is Spectrum a Trans Open Mic Night at ETG Cafe, Wednesday.

**July 8** is Adult Prom an LGBTQ Older Adult Event.

**Thursday July 9** is our Sober Event.

**Friday July 10** is the Interfaith Service at the Unitarian Church.

Staten Island PrideFest 2015 will take place on **Saturday July 11** at Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Garden. Join the party to celebrate diversity and community. It's not just for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people of Staten Island -- it's for everyone!

The day kicks off with a **Pride Day 5K PrideFest Run/Walk** around the beautiful 83-acre campus. The highlight of the day is the **PrideFest Festival** where you can join with other community members and show that Staten Island has a large and growing diverse LGBTQ community! Come celebrate with live music, artists, craft vendors, food trucks, drag performers, beverage areas, a Doggy Drag Show and more. This day-long event has activities for the whole family.

Finally on Sunday, **July 12** is Brunch & Grind at Eve's Ultra Lounge, join your family, friends and community for a delicious brunch from 11-1:30pm and then our Pride Week wrap up Tea Dance from 2-6pm, tickets are available at [pridecentersi.org/brunch](http://pridecentersi.org/brunch)

Keep up with all the current information about PrideFest at [www.pridecentersi.org/pridefest-events](http://www.pridecentersi.org/pridefest-events) or you can follow the FaceBook page for the event at [www.facebook.com/SIPrideFest](http://www.facebook.com/SIPrideFest). We look forward to seeing you at Staten Island PrideFest 2015!



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S.I.D.A. needs volunteers to staff its table at the Staten Island PrideFest July 11 at Snug Harbor. Please contact Bryan Ellicott at [ellicottbryan@gmail.com](mailto:ellicottbryan@gmail.com) if you would like to help.

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## Congressman Donovan Votes

*The following list of votes by Congressman Daniel Donovan was compiled by Richard Reichard.*

### Congressman Donovan Votes

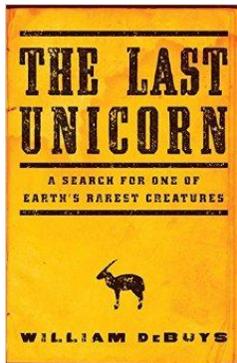
- On May 12, 2015 Congressman Donovan voted for the Regulatory Integrity Protection Act, H.R. 1732 (roll call vote 219). This legislation would require the EPA and the Army Corp of Engineers to “withdraw” a proposed rule that would expand the number of bodies of water covered under the Clean Water Act. This new rule would require a permit by the Corps to dispose of dredged or fill material from development projects near regulated waters.
- On May 13, 2015 Congressman Donovan voted for the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, H.R. 36 (roll call vote 223). This legislation would outlaw abortions after 20 weeks unless the life of the mother is in jeopardy or the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest. On WNYC’s Brian Lehrer show on April 30, 2015 when asked whether he (Donovan) would vote to put more federal restrictions on abortion he said “No.”
- On May 14, 2015 Congressman Donovan voted for the Brooks amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016, H.R. 1735 (roll call vote 229). This amendment would eliminate language from the defense authorization establishing a sense of Congress calling for the secretary of Defense to consider allowing recipients of President Obama’s Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program to serve in the military.



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## Members Recommend

*In Members Recommend S.I.D.A. members let us know which books or other things they have enjoyed.*



William deBuys is an author who chronicled an expedition in the Laotian mountains to document the existence of the saola, a very rare bovine identified only in 1992 by the Western world deep in the jungles of the Annamite Mountains separating Laos and Vietnam. Their habitat is remote and difficult to reach and has been geographically separated from similar habitats for millennia, and many of the living things there are found nowhere else in the world. As both Laos and Vietnam modernize, tremendous pressure has been put on this habitat as poachers hunt for rare trees for construction and for the animal life to satisfy a burgeoning market for Traditional Chinese Medicine. The poachers set snare lines that act like the land version of drift nets, literally emptying forests of animal life.

DeBuys describes not only his expedition but conservation efforts in general in the area and the difficulties faced by government agencies, NGOs, and the native people who live there. At times a depressing read, it is oddly optimistic as well. The book is well written and entertaining and worth picking up. <http://williamdebuys.com/books/last-unicorn/>

- Chris Bauer



June 16, 2015	July 21, 2015
<b>General Meeting</b> <b>8:00p.m.</b> <b>Charlie Brown's Steakhouse</b> <b>1001 Goethals Road North</b>	<b>General Meeting</b> <b>8:00p.m.</b> <b>Charlie Brown's Steakhouse</b> <b>1001 Goethals Road North</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clare Donohue, Sane Energy Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Attorney Candidate Michael McMahon</li> </ul>

**It's Time to Join or Renew Your S.I.D.A. Membership!**

To become a member, renew membership, or make a donation, call Bonita Rothman at (917) 596-3724, or complete and return the coupon. Voting privileges begin 45 days after joining.

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_____ \$10 - Individual	_____ \$50
_____ - Senior, Student, or	
_____ \$5 Unemployed	_____ \$100
	_____ Other _____

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I understand SIDA is a Democratic Party club. I (or we, if this is a Family Membership) am (are) at least 17 years of age and an enrolled Democrat, or intend to enroll as a Democrat upon becoming eligible.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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