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At our Next Meeting:

- **Candidates Forum for
Local Offices: Borough President,
City Council, Civil Court Judge**
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- **2nd Annual Loretta & Gene Prisco
Memorial Essay Contest Awardees**

Tuesday, June 20, 2017, **7:30 P.M.**

Charlie Brown's Steakhouse, 1001 Goethals Road North
(*****PLEASE NOTE TIME AND LOCATION*****)



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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
1787

Submission Deadlines

for the newsletter are:

July	July 3
August	July 31
September	September 4

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2nd Annual Mark Herman Memorial Picnic



Sunday, July 16, 2017

Noon – 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate Summer & the Memory of Mark Herman
at Our 2nd Annual Mark Herman Memorial Picnic!

Volunteers needed to prepare, set up, cook, clean up
and eat, drink and be merry. Come one, come all.

Willowbrook Park Barbecue Area

Driving Directions:

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



For information contact Social Secretary Sharon Santana
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S.I.D.A. President's Statement

June 2017

I want to thank you for your support! The installation was a success with over 200 people gathered at Daddy O's -- a reflection on the future of our Democratic Party. I would like to thank the executive committee and all who played a part in making that memorable night a success. The future of S.I.D.A. is reflective in the cultural groups, community organizers, faith-based leaders, L.G.B.T.Q. community and youths that attended the event, an organized group of active and dedicated members working together to the benefit of our party. I would also like to thank my friend Assistant Chief Delatorre of NYPD; his presence was a confirmation of the solidarity and commitment we have to serving our community. I believe it is important to work with the civil servants and labor unions within our party that advocate for policy to improve our communities.

The installation served as a fulfillment of one of my goals as president, to make sure that people from all backgrounds attend our functions, get involved, sign up and stay active in S.I.D.A.. Membership is crucial to the sustainability of our organization, and I encourage you all to continue to invite and sign up members. This month is Ramadan, L.G.B.T.Q. Pride month and Caribbean American heritage month. I would like to acknowledge these groups within our community and express the need for us to invite them to be members of S.I.D.A.. Now more than ever, we need all the support we can get to create an organized response to an unorganized and troubled administration. Please contact Mohan via email sai2000usa@hotmail.com.

As you may have heard, President Donald Trump just removed America from The Paris Climate Accord. This shameful decision will weaken our effort to combat global warming. He continues to set our economy into a spiral, with little effort to provide us with a tangible plan to avoid a recession. The London attacks proved to be another unfortunate example of Trump's bullying, first aimed at London's Mayor and then his favorite targets, the Muslim community. We will not stand behind this kind of rhetoric and leadership. We must stop fretting about Trump and be active in advocating for policies and candidates that will move our country and community in the right direction.

All politics is local, and we must begin with our Staten Island candidates, in order to provide them with the support and tools needed to change the narrative.

As we approach the City Council primary election in September, I encourage us to focus our attention on the Democratic candidates in District 49: Deborah Rose, Kamillah Hanks, and Phil Marius. On June 20 we will host the Local Candidates Forum at 8:00 p.m. - after our 7:30 p.m. opening event which is the Prisco Memorial Essay Contest Awards Presentation - at Charlie Brown's Steakhouse. This will be the best opportunity for you to meet the candidates and ask them questions about policy issues, and to better understand their plans and platforms. S.I.D.A. is putting together a resources guide for candidates looking to run for office.

Thank you, and let us remain active!

*Bobby Digi
President*



S.I.D.A. Candidate Forums

S.I.D.A. will hold two candidate forums this year, one for the local races for Staten Island Borough President, City Council, and civil court judge, and another for the city-wide races for Mayor, Public Advocate, and Comptroller. Both forums will be held at Charlie Brown's Steak House, 1001 Goethals Road North.

WHEN?

- **The Local Candidates Forum** for the offices of Borough President, City Council, and Civil Court Judge races will be at our **June 20 Meeting**, 7:30 p.m., following the presentation of the Loretta and Gene Prisco Memorial Essay Contest winners.
- **The City-wide Candidates Forum** for the offices of Mayor, Public Advocate, and Comptroller will be at our **July 18 meeting**, 8:00 p.m.

ENDORSEMENT VOTES

The endorsement votes will take place at the meeting following the one where the candidates were given the opportunity to present to the club.

- The endorsement votes for **local races** of Borough President, City Council, and Civil Court Judge races will be at our **July 18 Meeting**.
- The endorsement votes for **city-wide** races of Mayor, Public Advocate, and Comptroller will be at our **August 15 meeting**.

WRITTEN CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

All candidates are invited to submit a 300-500 word statement and photo for publication in the newsletter. All submissions should be sent to the newsletter editor Chris Bauer at cmaxbauer@yahoo.com.

- Submissions for **local races** of Borough President, City Council, and Civil Court Judge races will be printed in our **July newsletter**, and the submission **deadline is July 3**.
- Submissions for **city-wide** races of Mayor, Public Advocate, and Comptroller will be printed in our **August newsletter**, and the submission **deadline is July 31**.



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. Unless explicitly stated, the views herein are those of the authors and are not the views of S.I.D.A.

On-line May 24, 2017

Immigration Reform Should be Priority

In addition to funding the government through September, the appropriations bill that passed Congress in early May increased the number of H-2B visas from 66,000 to 130,000.

H-2B visas are used to hire temporary non-agricultural workers. Most of these workers are employed in the landscaping, hospitality and tourism industries. President Trump has hired workers for his Mar-a-Lago Club through the H-2B visa program.

Some of you may be asking why increasing the number of H-2B visas was added to an appropriations bill.

There is a bill in the House, the SEASON Act, which would increase the number of H-2B visas. All 23 sponsors of the bill are Republicans.

However, since the Republicans have been calling for extreme vetting of all visa applicants (There is no extreme vetting of H-2B visa applicants.) and have been calling for hiring Americans, politically the SEASON Act could not be brought to the House floor for a vote by the Republican leadership.

Therefore the Republicans slipped the SEASON Act into the appropriations bill.

There is a need for temporary non-agricultural workers. However, there is nothing in this bill that would help fill these temporary positions with American workers.

While there may not be workers who live in the areas where the temporary jobs exists, there may be Americans willing to relocate to a vacation area for six months to earn a paycheck and gain work experience. Legislation should look into matching these American workers with these temporary jobs.

Raising the minimum wage may also help fill these jobs with American workers.

We also need to pass comprehensive immigration reform.

Comprehensive immigration reform includes looking at our current visa programs, border security and path to citizenship.

The American people overwhelmingly support immigration reform, including a path to citizenship. It is time for Congress to act

- Richard Reichard



**Please note our
June 20 Meeting
starts at 7:30 p.m.!**

May 2017 Minutes

General Meeting May 6, 2017 Daddy O's

At its May 16 meeting S.I.D.A. held an installation of its Officers and Members at-Large at Daddy'O's BBQ and Sports Bar. Aaron Dickens, (formerly from NY1) was emcee for the installation.

Mr. Dickens told the audience that he is a great friend of S.I.D.A. President Bobby Digi, and he was excited to see what's in store for S.I.D.A., which was established on Staten Island more than 50 years ago.

Honorable Judge Judith McMahon, told the audience that it was a privilege to be at the event to officially swear in the Officers, including Members at-Large.

Officers that were sworn in at the event were President Bobby Digi, Vice President Bryan Ellicott, Executive Secretary Dennis Brown, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Marie Dwyer, Treasurer Bonnie Rothman, and Social Secretary, Sharon Santana. The five Members at-Large were Pearl Minsky, Radhakrishna Mohan, Roy Moskowitz, Clara Ogburn and Liz Price.

President Digi thanked the Honorable Judge McMahon for officiating at the event. He always thanked all the family, and friends that came out to support the club.

President Digi told the audience that the club would be celebrating its 56th Anniversary at the annual banquet scheduled for September 28. President Digi spoke about feeling proud of the past history of the club and excited about the future.

He plans to be very proactive with many aspirations, and his mission to make Staten Island a better place. President Digi challenged members new and old to become more active in the club.

President Digi thanked immediate past President Joann Olbrich for all her hard work. He also thanked all the members of the Executive Committee including Officers, Members at-Large and *ex-officio*'s for their work in putting the event together and other contributions throughout the year.

President Digi also recognized various members in the audience, various leaders of the African and immigrant communities on Staten Island, Lorie Honor, N.Y.P.D. Assistant Chief Edward Delatorre Jr., various Democratic club Presidents, his brother Greg, President of the Council of Jewish Organizations Mendy Mirocznik. President Digi also said, "we are very blessed" to have Councilwoman Debi Rose at the event.

Councilwoman Rose was happy to see such a great crowd of Democrats and said she was excited to witness the "coronation" of S.I.D.A. members. She congratulated Bobby and the other members of the Executive Committee. She said that she hopes the enthusiasm in the room tonight continues because we have a big job ahead.

She asked members to move forward and let the National agenda reflect our agenda on a local level. President Digi thanked the Councilwoman and everyone for attending the event. In closing he promised to plan a good agenda for S.I.D.A. and will work throughout the island.

Respectfully submitted by

Marie Dwyer

Corresponding & Recording Secretary



Loretta & Gene Prisco Memorial Essay Contest

The awardees of the Second Annual Loretta and Gene Prisco Memorial Essay Competition will be a topic of our June 20 General Membership Meeting. Here is an introduction by the Committee Chair Susan Chew, and of course the winning essays. PLEASE NOTE THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:30 P.M.

Statement by Committee Chair

To honor of our dear friends and fellow- Staten Island Democratic Association members, S.I.D.A. held the Second Annual Loretta and Gene Prisco Memorial Essay Competition. This year's essay subject was "Diversity: Many different cultures and communities live on Staten Island today. Do you think your school reflects this diversity of people? Do you think that cultural diversity in school helps or hurts you?"

We feel that interacting in this manner with public school students is one of the best ways to keep Loretta and Gene's invaluable work as educators, as well as advocates of public education, alive. Their daughter, Gabrielle Prisco-Horowitz, will present the awards.

2017 Awardees

Sania Beckum
Thomas A. Boyer
Amanda Cao
Michelle Kordov
Lindsay Philips
Lily Walsh

Congratulations!

- Susan Chew



Prisco Memorial Contest Winning Essays

Sania Beckum IS 49

On Staten Island, there are many different cultures and communities. Each community has its own different cultures. But the most diverse areas are Castleton Ave (West Brighton) and Forest Ave. There are seventy-eight percent white (including Latinos and Hispanics), twelve percent Black/African-American, and eight percent Asian people on Staten Island. Not only are the races diverse the ages are, too. Fourteen percent of the population is age sixty-five and up while twenty-three percent are under eighteen.

In a way, I think my school reflects this diversity of people. That being the case only the Latinos/Hispanics and Black/African Americans are mostly populated in my school. Therefore, the amount of diversity and reflection of it depends on what community you're in. But, there are numerous aspects that play into diversity especially in a school setting. One of them are the different religions, like the Catholics, Christians, Muslims etc. can reflect variety and a way of living which is viewed in my school. Also, the respect for holidays and such that come from different backgrounds and religions that we take days off from: Passover, Easter, Martin Luther King's birthday etc.

Cultural diversity in school I feel helps me, in which I can learn citizenship. This way I can be prepared for the real world. Cultural Diversity influences my views, on how different backgrounds act and what they must deal with because of their race; this leads to my hopes, worries and fears which make me want to go out there and change the world, fight for everyone's rights and find peace for every race. It can also help me by benefiting from other cultural groups that have unique strengths and values. Alternatively, I can see why it might hurt me because of conflict that might go on between cultural groups, because of disagreements or privilege. Overall, I can learn to interact within a diverse environment and have mutual respect.

In all things considered diversity can bring us together in all types of ways. It can help me achieve success in my own way by making connections. I can also learn languages from different races; and relate to students in my school or in my community. (Ex: Like if I want to travel to Russia I can ask a person who is Russian in my area, to teach me how to speak it).

Diversity, I feel, grows our hopes and dreams and makes us strong. To come to conclusions, many communities anywhere can have cultural diversity, to learn, share and be as one.

Thomas A. Boyer..... IS 61

I believe my school reflects racial diversity fairly well. There are a lot of people with different nationalities and races there. Notices are printed in seven different languages, such as English, Spanish, Albanian, Chinese and French. The largest group is African-American, or African, approximately 60% of my school in total. However, there are very few Asian students.

The staff is not as diverse as the student body. There are only roughly five African-American teachers. The principal, assistant principals, the deans, and the guidance counselor are all white. My school is diverse in terms of nationalities, but not diverse in balance. It can be hard for students to relate to teachers of different cultural backgrounds, and it can be hard for teachers, too.

But I have found in my three years at my school that the students in my school are taught the same, regardless of race, religion, or national origin. The honors classes and the ICT

disability classes (I have been in both) have black, white, and Latino kids. However, there is another thing that both honors and ICT classes share -they have trouble not talking.

This spring, in my school's production of Annie, there were many different races in the cast. I played Franklin D. Roosevelt, as well as the Dogcatcher. A friend of mine whose last name is Vega played one of the villains, Rooster. Another Latino student played Drake, the butler (at first we thought he was Indian). One of the actresses who played Ms. Hannigan was African-American. For Annie we had two girls, both white. Three girls of different races played the three Boylan sisters, who are triplets. Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins was changed to simply "Perkins" and was played by a tall eighth-grader named Aidan.

My school is located on Castleton Avenue, and is near housing projects and Silver Lake, which has large, expensive houses overlooking the park. Students there have parents who are home health aides, retired cops, pharmacists, supermarket managers, authors, school aides, lawyers, teachers, secretaries, party bus drivers, and landscapers. I have a good friend who lives in the Richmond Terrace Houses. I also have two friends who live on the caretaker floor at the headquarters building of Goodhue Center, a friend who lives across the street from a Mexican deli and around the corner from the mosque, and another friend who lives in a stone colonial house, on a leafy street, next door to a pizzeria.

I believe that this is diversity. It is a grand thing. It is grand because it helps me as a student, because it helps me deal with new people and things that I will encounter over my career and life. I think it will get me ready for the rest of my schooling, career, and life.

Amanda Cao.....PS 80

Diversity is the understanding that each human being is special in their own way, and that everyone has their own individual differences. Our society is becoming more diverse and people have many differences such as race, ethnicity, and religion. But, there are numerous aspects that actually play into diversity, especially in schools. If we do not teach the next generation to acknowledge these differences, prejudice will grow.

Having a diverse faculty is increasingly important in our generation. As classrooms become more diverse, it is more important for educators to recognize and address diversity issues. By doing so, students can respect their peers while teaching new content. It also helps them realize that we're all humans, despite our differences in how we look or dress. Role models who demonstrate exceptional leadership can make a social contributions which makes you less judgmental. For example, a multicultural learning situation brings a number of challenges that you need to overcome to create an effective learning environment for every student.

Allowing students to feel that someone cares about them will encourage all students to perform to their potential regardless of their culture. Creating an atmosphere of acceptance and tolerance would involve the whole class to work together. When students work in a team, team members have an influence on each other, which contributes to team dynamic. The students need to learn that being different is okay. By showing their differences in school, it will open the minds of those student not yet exposed to cultural differences. But, in my school, Michael J. Petrides has provided me with a new experience of acceptance and learning about other cultures. Not only does diversity define Michael J. Petrides, but also the teachers' and students' determination and leadership strive toward academic and community involvement.

We are consistently working with Habitat For Humanity to establish a better community through its projects. We build homes for people who have lost their possessions because of a calamity and also suffer from poverty. The school further along offers a program called Council

For Unity. This program builds challenges for many students, it allows them to interact with their peers who are incomparable to each other. The Michael J. Petrides school has given me an eye-opening experience towards academic, community work, and diversity.

An event that brings our school together is Culture Day. Culture Day brings individuals of different backgrounds together for a day of celebration and harmony. Every year in Petrides, we share the many aspects of our different heritages and lifestyles through music, food, and creative arts. Culture Day is a day where people of different ethnicities come together to create a better community, a community that can contribute to a diverse world.

The key to understanding the positive influence of diversity is to understand your peers' differences. In turn, having a classroom that is organized, safe and inviting to students of all backgrounds will allow discussion about multiculturalism and diversity. Curious students may ask questions to other students, perhaps about their background, and maybe encourage them to learn another language that interests them. Students form friendships within diverse classrooms and share knowledge of their own culture with each other.

Michelle Kordov..... 1S 24

Diversity is a very special thing in our world. It keeps us all different from one another and we learn from each and every culture. My school respects every single one and especially holidays: Kwanza, Hanukah, Christmas, New Years, etc. Each one is noticed in its own special way, either by a little celebration or a song in a concert, and maybe even by a special treat like food. My school never leaves a student with a different lifestyle or background unrecognized. To be honest, these actions provide us, students, with the importance of each and every student in our school.

The cultural diversity in my school helps me and, I assume, it helps my fellow classmates and friends a lot too. Imagine if every student was the same, thinking the same, learning the same way, our minds wouldn't be open to other people who have a different cultural diversity. Diversity helps everyone by teaching the different ways people and kids live from all around the world. What do they believe? How do they celebrate their holidays and what are the traditions? All the questions kids have, will get answered because my school has students that will answer them. Also, because of the different cultures, our social skills get better. We, students, learn to communicate with different kids and respect different minds and opinions at a pretty young age. That will greatly help us in the future and in our social lives. Let me elaborate more on that. With all types of minds and opinions, come different methods to solve problems. One culture thinks different then another but if we start to compromise at a young age, then, in the future, it will be very easy to find agreements with people other than your culture and look for a peaceful solution for each and every problem in the world.

My school reflects the diversity of people and as a result it does good for all the students. We learn how our minds work and think in different situations. We, students, understand each other and the different holidays and traditions. We understand the importance of every one of our friends and colleagues. We understand different mindsets and solutions each mind thinks is the best. My school helps me get ready for the future by increasing social skills.

Diversity is a very special thing our world has that everyone should cherish. I'm going to be honest, my school really does.

Lindsay Philips PS 80

There are many different cultures and communities that live on Staten Island today, and I know my school, Michael J Petrides, reflects this diversity of people. I know that cultural diversity in school helps me. I will be supporting my statement with facts that have happened in my life, along with my personal opinion.

I know my school represents a diversity of many cultures and many communities that are on Staten Island because I am friends with a lot of children who have different cultural backgrounds and practice different religions. Many of those friends live in different communities. I pass people walking in the halls that have different skin tone than me and I see people in my class that I do not usually see in my neighborhood. We have American, African American, Albanian, Latino, Chinese, Asian, Lithuanian, Jamaican kids and adults and we all see each other as equals.

Cultural diversity helps me by bringing me together with other people who can show me their traditional ways of how they celebrate their country's traditions. Also, cultural diversity helps me become a better person by teaching me how not to judge people by their skin and their culture. It also helps me adapt to the real world by making me mingle with other races and learning how to work with them. This prepares me for the real world because, in the real world, you have to work with people of all races, cultures, and religious backgrounds. There are schools that only have one race and one culture and those kids end up racist and having disrespect for other people's cultures and beliefs.

In conclusion, there are different races and cultures that are part of my school, Michael J Petrides. I don't think the color of your skin matters and it shouldn't. It really brings our community together when we have acceptance of each other. In the end, as long as color, race and religion doesn't factor in with our ability to communicate with each other, it's my opinion, that humanity has a brighter future.

Lily Walsh..... PS 80

In Staten Island today, there is a variety of cultures. Diversity by definition is the state of being diverse: showing- a great deal of variety; very different. To me, diversity is a group of people with complex differences in ideas, points of view, values, and perspectives. This benefits me as a student because it helps me develop an understanding of other people' s perspectives and teaches me how to function in a multicultural society. Diverse environment and learning spaces are essential to nurturing and building respect, trust, and safety that are inherent to our democratic society today. My school makes all of the students feel valued, and significant, regardless of their background. Desmond Tutu once said, "We inhabit a universe that is characterized by diversity."

The heterogeneous school that I attend helps me because I can meet many unique people with different backgrounds and learn about new cultures and ethnic histories. My school helps me to realize that respecting diversity is a core principle in school and in the outside world. We celebrate rich cultures rather than ignore them. I never really thought about how my school reflects diversity because I always thought that the diverse community in my school was a natural thing. I've grown up around a loving family that respects people of all lifestyles, religions, and cultures. My school enhances my ability to understand what others are going through and it helps me to improve cognitive skills like problem solving. I have exposure to in any others with unique challenges, barriers, and differences in their lives. In my position, I am so fortunate to be able to primarily encounter the interactions and conversations among my classmates. For example, I have friends of all ethnicities. I have friends that are African-

American, Spanish, Asian, Russian, Italian, Irish, American and so many more remarkable and phenomenal cultures. This to me is extraordinary. My favorite subject in school is Social Studies because I am so engrossed in the study of human diversity and cultural studies around the world. We host Diversity Week at our school with activities focusing on unity among all ethnic groups. Also, we have a parade and every grade is assigned a culture. We use clothing, music, art, and even food to represent that specific culture. In addition, we have numerous field trips to productions entertaining us on cultures. I vividly remember going to a play about Argentina which educated us about the Argentine Republic. Diversity builds morality and respect.

Diversity is a crucial ability that greatly helps me. We learn about this concept all of our lives and it becomes part of us, since it is demonstrated and observed all around us. Diversity helps me learn to show empathy. In the wise words of Michelle Obama, "You see our glorious diversity - our diversity of faiths, and colors and creeds - that is not a threat to who we are, it make us who we are."



**PLEASE NOTE
THE START TIME
FOR OUR
JUNE 20 MEETING:
7:30 P.M.!**

Prisco Memorial Essay Contest Donation Opportunity



May 2017

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As we would like to present a monetary award, as well as a certificate, to the talented winners of this competition, we are asking if you would like to contribute to help us honor the Priscos' memories.

Please send your contribution with the contribution coupon, below.

Any amount you can contribute is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Susan Chew
Chairwoman

To honor our friends and Staten Island Democratic Association members, I/we would like to contribute to the S.I.D.A. Loretta & Gene Prisco Memorial Essay Competition.

My/our check is enclosed in the amount of \$ _____.

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Staten Island Democratic Association
Essay Competition
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Staten Island, NY 10314

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Staten Island Women's Political Caucus

Staten Island WOMEN'S POLITICAL CAUCUS



Don't Miss These Events!

Saturday, Aug 11 from 12 to 3pm

SIWPC 12th Anniversary Luncheon



Building Bridges in Albany

Keynote Speaker: State Senator Diane Savino

At LiGreci Staaten (697 Forest Avenue)

Tickets \$65 in advance; \$70 at the door

Saturday, October 14 from 10am to 1pm

SIWPC Annual Forum

Women Helping Women

Richmondtown Public Library (200 Clark Avenue)

Admission: FREE



Staten Island Women's Political Caucus (SIWPC) is a multi-partisan, not-for-profit membership organization. We meet on the 2nd Sat of each month (except July & Aug) at 2PM Kings Arms Diner on Forest Avenue. JOIN US!

For more info contact: Joy Robins 718-816-4128



S.I.D.A. Banquet Save the Date

SAVE THE DATE!

**S.I.D.A.
Annual Banquet**

September 28, 2017

7:15 PM

Crystal Room

67 Olympia Boulevard

Awardees to be announced.



June 20, 2017	July 18, 2017
General Meeting 7:30p.m. Charlie Brown's Steakhouse 1001 Goethals Road North	Annual Meeting 8:00p.m. Charlie Brown's Steakhouse 1001 Goethals Road North
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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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